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'WE ARE PROUD OF WHAT WE DID!'

On May 27th, two people hijacked a plane to Algiers and demanded a reparation of \$500,000 dollars in cash. The reason for this hijacking was two-fold: 1. to obtain money desperately needed for the liberation struggle in America and the ones in Africa, and 2. to obtain asylum from the enemy which is and was the United States. Algeria was chosen as the point of destination because it was supposed to be a non-imperialist country outside the sphere of American influence. When the two people arrived in Algeria new conditions arose. America had begun its campaign to economically and politically control Algeria. At that time, the pressure was being levelled through a \$1.6 billion dollar contract that the American government was about to sign with the Algerian government for oil over the period of the next 25 years.

The brothers and sisters responsible for commandeering the Delta aircraft to Algeria on July 31st, 1972, are members of the Black Liberation Army. The Algerian government should recognize and act in accordance to United States Field Manual No. 31-25, #9; Relationship of Forces, Paragraph A which states: "Under the Geneva Convention, as discussed in FM 27-10, 'The Law of Land Warfare,' a guerilla may, in time of war, have legal status; when he is captured, he is entitled to the same treatment as a regular prisoner of war if he—

1. Is commanded by a person responsible for his subordinates.
2. Wears a fixed and distinctive sign recognizable at a distance.
3. Carries arms openly.
4. Conducts operations in accordance with the laws and customs of war.

We implore the Algerian government to be informed that those seeking asylum are indeed worthy. To be refused asylum and if forced to return to the United States, these brothers and sisters and their family face separation, incarceration, and under the U.S. law pertaining to skyjacking—DEATH.

At this time we are charging the Government of the United States with two counts of violation of the principles of world peace. In specific:

1. Abstention by any country from exerting pressure on other countries.

2. Abstention from intervention or interference in the internal affairs of another country.

The main and most important thing that America is violating is: 1. Respect for fundamental human rights and for the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations.

OPEN LETTER: From the Delta Aircraft Expropriators!

His excellency, Houari Boumediene,
President of the Council of the Democratic People's Republic of Algeria.

Dear Comrade Boumediene;

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you, as chief representative of the revolutionary people of Algeria, for the kind treatment and hospitality which we have received since arriving in the Democratic People's Republic of Algeria on August 1, 1972 aboard Delta Airlines flight #841 which we liberated from the United States Imperialist to use as a tool in expropriating the sum of \$1 million from the United States capitalist.

We would like to set the record straight as to our treatment since arriving in Algeria. We have not been mistreated or imprisoned and we regard the interrogation that we underwent as normal and routine and we voluntarily participated in the interrogation. We have nothing to hide and we are proud of what we did because we did it to strike a blow for the liberation of our people, the Afro-American people, who are oppressed inside the United States.

We are not criminals. We are the victims of the criminal actions of the United States of America. We are housewives, fathers, and workers. One of us, Melvin McNaair, is a Veteran of the United States Armed Forces, who was persecuted for refusing to fight against the Vietnamese people. George Brown was recently shot six times and left for dead by the fascist political police in the city of Detroit - the so-called STRESS

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JEAN McNAIR



MELVIN McNAIR



GEORGE WRIGHT



GEORGE BROWN

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Murdered by pigs



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Wounded by pigs



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The facts of what happened on August 7th, 1970 in a Marin County courtroom in San Rafael, California are very simple:

Jonathan P. Jackson, went into a courtroom in the Marin County Courthouse, armed three inmates - Ruchelle Magee, James McLain, and William Christmas - and took a number of hostages, including Judge Haley and Ass't D.A. and others. They levelled a demand that the Soledad Brothers - Fleeta Drumgo, John Clutchette and George Jackson - be released by 12:30P.M.

The four men with their hostages, made their way to the parking lot where a van was waiting. Just as they entered the van, shots rang out. After the smoke had cleared, Jonathan Jackson, James McLain, William Christmas and Judge Haley were dead. The other hostages and Ruchell Magee survived.

The facts, as stated are cut and dry, but the political reasons for this act is far reaching and has continuous political ramifications.

The political facts are 1) The Soledad Brothers - Fleeta Drumgo, John Clutchette and George Jackson - were due to stand trial for the murder of a prison guard. A crime which could've gotten them the chair at that time. 2) The courts of Babylon was swamped with political cases - The New Haven 9, Huey Newton, Panther 21, - and the cry of all of them was "The Sky is the Limit" - as a matter of fact it was a case of talking loud and saying nothing. 3) One of the Soledad Brothers was George Jackson, older brother of Jonathan Jackson, who had gone to jail for ripping off \$70.00 and received a 1 day to life sentence and at that time had already served over 10 years. 4) The political ultimatum at that time was "If the courts will not give justice to the people then the people will bring justice to the courts". There was clearly no justice in the courts - what with Bobby Seale being bound and gagged in a courtroom because he dared to speak out in his own defense and people in jails all across the country were facing life in jail and death in the chair on trumped up charges. Therefore justice had to be taken to the courts.

On August 7th, 1970 - young Jonathan Jackson armed with firepower, took justice to the courts.

In the courtroom James McLain was staging trial, Ruchell Magee and William Christmas were in court to testify on McLain's behalf. Jonathan Jackson armed all three of them and the dynamic and earthshattering burst for freedom began.

The revolutionary political ramifications of August 7th was long and far reaching. It was the first time in the history of the Black Liberation Struggle that an offensive act of that magnitude had been carried forth.

The essence of what Jonathan Jackson, William Christmas, James McLain and Ruchelle Magee did was to show the world the lengths Black people will go to, to be free. To paraphrase - Georgia Jackson - mother of Jonathan Jackson - Jonathan Jackson was a man, a Black man and a revolutionary. To make sure the world knew that it was a revolutionary act that was going down, Jonathan told a cameraman that was in the court "Take pictures, we are the Revolutionaries." The mass media has a very distinct habit of turning revolutionary acts into acts of banditry, Jonathan knew this and employed the pigs' media as a weapon to use against them. By these acts being photographed and identified for what they were - thousands of people became aware of the revolutionary struggle going on in Babylon.

The philosophy behind taking hostages is that with hostages there is bargaining power. Jonathan Jackson, et al, took hostages. They took a hostage from the ruling class - Supreme Court Judge Haley and his crime partner an Ass't District Attorney. Then he said, "All right gentlemen, were taking over now". The theory of taking hostages is hip, it is fundamentally sound what was not reckoned with or anticipated was the extent of the disregard for life that not only the California prison system, but the system as a whole employs; for the California Department of Corrections has a standing rule that no prisoner is to escape even at the expense of lives. In this case, the lives of Judge Haley, one of the states own boys. Rather than release the Soledad Brothers, the State of California was willing to sacrifice Judge Haley and the others. They opened fire on Jonathan Jackson, James McLain, William Christmas, and their boy Judge Haley. The Ass't D.A. was paralyzed and Ruchelle Magee was injured.

Some people have dubbed this revolutionary act of Revolutionary suicide. This is very erroneous because when Jonathan Jackson went into the courtroom at San Rafael he did not plan to die. He planned to liberate some prisoners of war. Suicide is to take one's own life. Jonathan went into that courtroom not to take his own life, but to exert a little bargaining power in a balanced arena. That's why he went in packing. He went in to free his brother George Jackson, John Clutchette and Fleeta Drumgo.

The act that went down on August 7th in the Marin County courtroom in San Rafael California was a revolutionary act. It was the kind of act that Carlos Marighella talked about in the Minimanual of Urban Guerrilla Warfare, when he talked about liberating prisoners of war. It is the same thing that Elmer "Geronimo" Pratt was talking about in his book "The New Urban Guerrilla" when he said - "We are now able to move in the correct manner dictated to

MOVEMENT

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'Black Womanhood'

DAY RALLY IN NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

sponsored by BLACK PANTHER PARTY

I came here today to have a heart to heart talk with you about a situation that I, as an individual, and the Black Panther Party as a whole think is extremely timely, important and serious. That is, the lack of Black women in the struggle.

Black women are the largest group of the Black popular masses. They are the largest group of socially and economically deprived force which is the political vanguard of the whole revolutionary colonized people in this country (Black People). Therefore, the role of the Black woman in the urban armed struggle is vital.

Historically, the relationship between Black women and Black men have been a pretty strained one at best. Why has there been this strained relationship between Black men and Black women? Did it just naturally happen that way? No! The relationship is the product of well thought out hard work on the part of the oppressor.

The first thing the slavemaster did when Black people were brought over on the good ship Jesus was to break up the family. How did he do this? In two ways 1) Husband and wife were indiscriminately broken up and sold; and 2) the slavemaster bestowed upon himself the right to take the slave's wife whenever he wanted to, thus making the Black man feel inherently inferior and less of a man.

This thing that the slavemaster did had a lasting effect on the Black family. From then on Black women were able to find work and support their family when Black men couldn't. Black women because of their ability to find work and support their family, began to upbraid their husbands and on many occasions put them out. Little did Black women know that this was what the slavemaster wanted. From this situation came the age-old expression - "There are only two things that are free - a white man and a Black woman".

This basic understanding of what the plan was and the effect it has had on the Black family and therefore Black people as a whole, makes what we do now a very important decision. Because of the position that the slavemaster relegated the Black man to, today Black men often become defensive and hostile whenever a woman tries to assert leadership and then they begin to relegate female comrades to "shit work" out of harm's way. Because of this there's a struggle going on in the Black community as to whose going to control the Black life. The Black woman says the Black man can't do it because he's not man enough, and the Black man says the Black woman can't do it because her place is in the home. The omnipotent administrator - the slavemaster to some and the oppressor to others - is cracking his side with laughter at the both of them.

The most logical approach is for Black men and Black women to work shoulder to shoulder, arms together in struggle.

We can well understand the historical reasons why Black men act in the manner that they do but we as Black people have to begin to not live in the past, rather to study the past



so as to understand the present, thusly we can begin to move forward without making the mistakes of the past. It was wrong for the Black woman to be given the advantage over the Black man, but it is equally wrong for Black men to take a feudalistic attitude toward women, relegating them to household and movement slaves, refusing to recognize their political development or share some of the tedious work of the household by rationalizing that a woman's place is in the home, cooking food, while the Black man performs the warrior role.

In the words of Kwame Nkrumah - "The degree of a country's revolutionary awareness may be measured by the political maturity of its women". Male chauvinism - that is the idea that men are superior to women - and sexism - that is women are only object of sex - hinder the development of the revolutionary movement among Black and Third World people. If unchecked the growth of male chauvinist and sexist attitudes will surely be disastrous for the urban guerrilla war, for no revolutionary war can be won without the enthusiastic support and participation of revolutionary women.

Viewing the historical breakdown of our particular relationship as Black men and Black women coupled with our present day situation as oppressed colonized people, we have to decide what our course will be.

There are some Black people, who say they are about the complete freedom and liberation of Black people. Their method of obtaining this freedom is to create an ancient African culture on American soil. That is they believe that if they acquire an African culture - that is an African name, an African style or mode of dress and an African traditional wife; they will be free.

There are others who don't even deal with the African way, but they believe that if they could only get their women to stay home and cook and have children and raise them like

any other American wife that their conditions would be changed for the better.

These are the people who are more or less satisfied with America. They really and truly believe that the problem is not with the system under which they live but with themselves. The slavemaster has done his job well!

We, of the Black Panther Party, say to you that this is not the case. The truth of the matter is that the system is responsible. The American capitalist system is responsible for bad housing that causes our children to have lead poisoning; the American capitalist system is responsible for bad medical facilities that still has our people dying from sickle-cell anemia, high blood pressure, and sugar diabetes; it is the capitalist system that is responsible for the bad or no education that allows our youth to graduate from school without knowing how to read or write and without any knowledge of their own history.

It is the American capitalist system that is responsible for the lack of jobs which will give our community a decent standard of living. If the American capitalist system was about human rights instead of civil rights and was working in the interest of the people then our problems would be solved. Since that is not the case then we have this problem to deal with.

If we are really about dealing with this system, then it can't be a thing of whether the man or the woman is going to do the fighting. It can only be a case of one hand scratching the other's back. This is so because of the fact that we have to use all the means we can muster up. We have to utilize all of our resources if we intend to win this battle. It is not a case of Black people fighting an equal. It is a case of going up against the biggest and deadliest and most cruel and inhumane enemy on the face of the earth. If you don't believe me ask the brothers up at Attica State prison.

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LEON SPEAKS from HELL

Greetings Comrades

This is Leon, Charles Hill, one of the Auburn Six now presently caged in the Indiana State prison under slave name Jimmie Pruitt, number 34682, status political prisoner, awareness communist revolutionary.

On May 2, 1971, The State of New York dropped the trumped up charges on me stemming from the legitimate revolt at Auburn prison November 23, and 4, 1970. The State of New York dropped the racist frame solely because they knew and could expose the true criminals (Auburn prison guards) and was going to use the courtroom as a platform to raise the issue that prisoners have the duty and right to arise and revolt in Amerikkka's concentration camps, also the State of New York knew no jury would believe the obvious lies and contradictions the Auburn prison guards told the grand jury to bring down an indictment, so to prevent a People's Victory by a jury say "No!" to the indictment, the State of New York made a clumsy retreat in their fascist tactics and dropped the charges to save face; Their efforts are in vain, the People's victory was the days of revolt in Auburn prison and the other prison rebellions throughout this foul country, whenever brothers and sisters resist these conditions inside or outside the cages its a blow for freedom, we need not justify our actions in the pigs court, our acts explain themselves and truly articulate our position.

May 4, 1972, The New York State Department of Correction conditional released me to a warrant of Indiana State prison charging escape from Indiana prison January 13, 1967.

May 15, 1972 and arrived here at the Indiana prison, received three from the prison administration for escape and owe nine years, and was doing a ten year sentence for robbery, escape after doing ten months on the sentence, did my job not accept the illegal confinement in this dungeon; captured again, need not express my intentions verbal they should and are plain from my commitment and will be reveal through my action.

REPORT FROM INDIANA

Not been here a month yet but observation of conditions clear to one after a short notice especially when one has extensive knowledge of concentration camps as and do (all my life, off and on I've been shackled to these cages).

Building a new gun tower in the prisoners mess-hall, common rumor among the prison population the administration is preparing at a fast pace to shot-down, murder, slaughter, create a riot with the excuse to kill defenseless prisoners to justify their fascist desires to institute the strong arm of repression and genocide against the prisoners particularly the Blacks.

Spending more than a million dollars on riot control equipment, teaching prison guards karate, Warden has personal propagandist misinforming the public that the prison has so many violent prisoners who are serving life sentences, that the prison is brewing for an explosion, that he the Warden is trying to keep things cool; while in fact he the Warden with his administration is using any and all means to provoke the prison population into an unorganized revolt to use his new gun tower, riot control equipment, to have a worse massacre of brothers than Attica and naturally get his name in the newspaper headlines, with Attica as a precedent its now easy to murder prisoners.

A further tactic to intimidate and speed up genocide is all visitors must sign a waiver that when they enter the prison to visit their love one's (prisoners) or a concern group of outsiders wanting to observe the conditions of the prison, if a riot occurs the State of Indiana is not responsible and they enter at their own risk under the threat of possible danger to their lives; This gestapo measure can have a twofold effect on family and friends of prisoners and the public in general; discouraging them to enter the

prison from unwarranted fear produce by the prison administration lies thereby closing the door to any contact the prisoners have with the world beyond these walls, and instilling the misinformation that when (and it will probably be soon) The prison guards open fire on the prisoners it was the prisoners fault for being murdered, preparing the people on the outside for the death of their sons, fathers, friends, the prisoners, to accept the prison version of the killings by saying, "See we warn you this would happen, we had to shoot to protect their lives."

The other side of the coin, consciousness is very low, gambling, shooting dope, black and white fights every week, just last week a brother got stabbed by a white prisoner for the pervert morality that is the major interest of the prison population, the brother is now in serious condition in a outside hospital in Michigan City, Indiana. Homosexuality is rampant that's what most of the prisoners inflicting deaths are about or a debt over gambling, the prisoners are so drugged on different forms of dope they have no concept of what time it is; the prison administration knows as long as the prisoners keep that corrupt degenerate garbage on their minds no awareness will ever develop among the prisoner and all the prisoners will do about the direct threat on our lives is gossip, be in fear, and try to ignore the new gun tower and the other obvious manifestations of death to us prisoners.

The prisoners here have no outside support and Gary, Indiana is only 26 miles from this prison, Chicago, Illinois 55 miles, that's a damn shame.

It's typical of how the Germans, told the Jews, "We are planning to kill you" and the Jew's ignored it or if some of the doomed did try to organize so many of their people said, "Don't be crazy they won't really do that to us". That's how the people on the outside and the general prison population answer to this onslaught of genocide at the Indiana State prison.

Situation not hopeless just a powerful negative element dominating the prisoners mind, only makes the job of us few Marxist revolutionaries quite difficult, we never expected this would be an easy

struggle, so therefore we tighten up our strategy and press on, gain in raising the awareness will be slow in emerging, we think at this time selling the proper example by opposing all the vice in the prison and being serious about the work of revolution will pull brothers in our ranks.

We need your support, literature, the newsletter, The Right On paper and above all in constant communication.



Power!
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JUSTICIA para TIGRE-Justice for TIGER

Raymundo "Tigre" Perez, Chicano leader, poet, writer, and farmworker organizer, was born in Laredo, Texas, and spent most of his life traveling and working within the migrant stream of the Southwest. He has written and published quite a number of books, which include "Free, Free at Last," "Phases", and "Los Cuatros."

Tigre has spent much time working for the Colorado Migrant Council, providing medical and legal assistance to farmworkers throughout the state of Colorado, as well as other areas in the Southwest. He has given extensive supports to the United Farmworkers Union in providing superior leadership in union organizing and the Grape and Lettuce boycotts.

Last fall, Tigre organized the N National Seasonal Migrant Hearings in Mercedes, Texas. For the first time in history, farmworkers congregated from all over the United States to testify and expose the injustices of the economic, political, and social conditions that farmworkers confront each day of their lives while working in the fields.

Tigre has suffered the consequence which all other organizers suffer. As a result his life has been threatened on several occasions. Restraining to the most non-violent reactions, he has resisted their intimidations. Not taking his life into considerations, he obtained a weapon for the protection of the people who work with him.

On October 20, 1970 in Syracuse, New York, Tigre was arrested for violation of the Sullivan Act, or the illegal possession in the transfer of a fire arm across the state line. He spent the first two days in Syracuse County Jail, and then was transferred to Jamesville State Prison and placed into solitary confinement for one month. On the second day of his captivity, the police tried to charge him with robbing his own car. During the time that he was allegedly picked up by the police while driving through New York State, a hitchhiker was in the car with him. The police took the hitchhiker to the station, but never booked him, and set him free.

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VOICES from the GRAVE

Brothers and Sisters,

The purpose of this letter is to expose or to give the people a better view of the tension that's being provoked in the tombs. I'm sure that you all are familiar with some of the predictions commissioner Vandel Heuvel made in reference to a radio broadcast or interview. Stating that there's a lot of tension building up within the confines of this rehabilitation facility and that the inmates are liable to explode any day because of the fact that there's inadequate funds to secure a lot of complaints that the inmates have.

It's true that the inmates here have complaints but we've never heard anything as naive as the correction department needs funds for complaints for this nature, Bail Reduction, Speedy Trials, Competent Lawyers, etc.

We feel that there's a conspiracy being actuated by the department of corrections and it's staff to provoke inmates here in the Tombs to act adherent to a scheme that's already well in the first stages of evolution. Everybody out there know it's hot out there so that makes it twice that hot in the tombs.

With no air conditioning, no fan, and no air circulating, heat makes people irritable that have all these options as you can see the men in the Tombs are without options. So it's evident that they are very irritable.

The correction department and its staff is using this as a criterion for a conspiracy to persecute these brothers more with this insidious scheme. It is evident that after the riots here in the Tombs in the late 70's a lot of different programs came into existence

that didn't before. Which means that there was additional funds made available to the department of corrections to alleviate some of the prisoners complaints. Very few of these complaints if any have been considered. The correction department have put in thousands of dollars worth of additional steel bars, new windows, new riot gear, etc. Now they claim they need more funds to eradicate a possible prisoners rebellion in the Tombs.

The prisoners here know that these allegations are part of a conspiracy. For the last month officers here in the Tombs have been harassing the senders stating the inmates didn't answer for mail call. Deliberately misplacing spoons, deliberately keeping the men locked in these hot cells longer than they would normally, threatening prisoners, etc. On occasion men have been sent to the bing for no apparent reason.

Some officers informed certain prisoners in a provocative way that the only way they could obtain higher wages or even due wages is to provoke prisoners to riot.

An officer in the Tombs was interviewed last week in the interview he mentioned that he had 6 months over time pay due him and his wife is eight months pregnant, this in only one officer, how many other officers here have problems of this nature. Like excessive days accumulated but they can't take off for a week or two.

These officers are being harassed in turn they are harassing the inmates. If the inmates here in the Tombs do riot the only people that can benefit from such an act of this nature is the corrections department and its staff.

Politics are constantly on the prisoners backs in the streets and in their jails. The riot that was triggered here in the seventy's was the same type of a political conspiracy.

Is anybody ever going to understand what the lumpen proletariat and the poverty stricken man have to endure in this gestapolized society.

The prisoners have no intention of rioting. What we need is some of this thing called Justice that was given to Clifford Irving, Luitenant Calley and countless other klansmen.

We want reasonable bails that's within a poor man's grasp, speedy trials, so that we don't have to be confined in inhuman facilities like the Tombs. Competent lawyers so that we won't be railroaded to penitentiary for crimes we're not guilty of.

Why should we have to get our heads cracked or loose our lives by committing a act that won't benefit the prisoners in the least.

Brother El Ragg Malik Shabazz said the ballot or the bullet; we are men without the bullet, the ballot don't work for the poor. So we are appealing to the people hoping they stop and check out the artifice the gestapo is using to make their thought work incoherent with the system.

Hoping our voices are not lost in the shadows like a lot of brothers that came before us with the same problem.

peace
Voices from the graves

Angola:

Angola is a Portuguese colony in South Africa and is populated by 5 million Africans. Because Angola is a big country, we would expect to find a larger population, but the Africans have been exported for centuries as slaves by the Portuguese and other Europeans to the Americas.

About one hundred years ago when the slave export ended, the Portuguese introduced a new system, that of forced labor. According to a report written in 1947 by Henrique Galvao, the Chief Inspector of the Colonial Administration, only the dead were exempt from this dehumanizing ordeal. "From a realistic point of view the situation is as bad as in the days of pure slavery". Since 1961 more than a half million Angolans have sought refuge from the Fascist terrorism of the Portuguese in neighboring lands. Thousands more have been killed in the fighting, bombing, sieges of the liberated areas and torture by the Portuguese fascist. It is estimated that one and a half million Angolans have been put in "aidementios", (concentration camps) by the Portuguese Gestapo.

The war in Angola began on February 4, 1961 between the Portuguese colonials and MPLA (Movimento Popular de Libertacao de Angola), the People's Army. The Portuguese have not been able to crush the liberation struggle, even with napalm, defoliation chemicals, or large scale deportation.

Portugal is an undeveloped country (probably the poorest in Europe) and could not afford to fight a colonial war for so long against its three African colonies, were it not for the aid received from its

partners in crimes, imperial united states and racist south africa. True to their fascist, racist class colors, these two foul conglomerates supply the bulk of military weapons used to carry out the systematic genocide against the heroic Angolans. Portugal has come under heavy criticism by the United Nations for its practices in its African colonies, but like the other members of the "Unholy Quartet", Rhodesia, South Africa, Amerikkka either the condemnations are totally ignored or rationalizations are put forward to justify the acts.

Very recently the Portuguese have intensified the use of herbicides against the Angolans, a desperate measure similar to what the Amerikkans are doing in Vietnam. Another tactic borrowed from the imperialist partners is that of the use of counter-revolutionary groups and agents to infiltrate and confuse the people. Although the struggle may sometime have setbacks, the enemy who looks indestructible is really a "paper tiger". With staunch determination and unshakeable courage, the heroic people of Angola along with other oppressed people will relegate the forces of imperialism, racism, colonialism and neo-colonialism to the rubbish heap of history.

DARE TO STRUGGLE
DARE TO WIN!

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE

Tigre (cont'd)

During the last two years, Tigre has undergone six hearings, at which no public were able to attend, including his immediate family.

Judge Gail and District Attorney Lyons, seriously want to convict Tigre; not because he was on his way through New York State with a registered gun, but because Tigre is a detrimental threat to the Government and existing structures of this country.

Number one, Tigre, is Chicano, he is poor, and he is political. These three things are threats to the government. Therefore, when Tigre's trial comes up this August 14th, the Judge and District Attorney will do everything in their powers to get a conviction. With the conviction they have Attica, with Attica they can silence Tigre.

Concerned individuals, friends, and relatives of Tigre have set up a defense fund in New York. They would appreciate any donations or legal assistance in helping to free Tigre.

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Panthers Initiate Sickle Cell Clinic

By Susan Brown
Defender News Editor

At a press conference recently, members of the Louisville Black Panther Party announced their intention to initiate several programs in the community including a free sickle cell anemia testing service which conducted its first tests last Saturday at the Grace Hope Community Center, at Hancock and Lampton Streets in Louisville's east end area.

The sickle cell testing program which is part of an overall health program will be conducted twice a week around the city and county until everyone needing testing has received it. The program is being operated through contributions made to the Sickle Cell Anemia Fund.

Other areas in the health field in which the panthers plan to start program included the area of free ambulance service disturbed over the fact that the city now has a fee for this service, the panthers plan to start with a single vehicle and gradually build up the service. Bruce Conway, panther medical cadre, said that they were also currently in the process of making contact with the University of Louisville medical department about the setting up of a free clinic to provide preventive medical care. They also plan to continue their drug education program.

The free breakfast program long associated with the panther party is another one of those planned by local panthers. The program will be initially restricted to the east end area known as Smoketown, but will eventually be expanded to meet the needs of poor people across the city. Sites for the proposed program are not yet definite although, according to George Alexander, several churches have expressed interest in it.

A free busing to prison program is also one being initiated by the panthers. It will permit the family of prison inmates to be transported to the various institutions each week to visit.

Financial support of these programs seems to be somewhat indefinite at present. The first sickle cell testing program was operated on \$124 collected through donations,



PEOPLE LINE UP at Grace Hope Community Center to be tested for sickle cell anemia. This program was first of testing that will be done in the city and County as part of the new programs Black Panthers will carry out in the community. Photo by Jay Thomas

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according to Panther Benjamin Simmons. The Party is depending quite heavily on financial contributions by members of the community. For its free breakfast program it expects to receive donations of food from merchants within the area.

The Panthers declined to speak of those members of the Party which are presently in jail but they did say that they hoped that they could overcome the harassment from law enforcement officials which they have received in the past and said that it would probably take a lot of "hard work" on their part. They did say that "the members that are locked up are members that were implementing programs" and that "we have to overcome that by working hard." And Ben Simmons added that "we will not be run out of Louisville."

The Panthers intend to act only as a catalyst for these programs and plan to turn them over to the community for operation once they have gotten under way.

Black Womanhood (cont'd)

They will tell you. Ask the brothers and sisters in the jails and prisons all across America. Then if you still have any doubts ask the courageous people in Vietnam and South Africa.

The only course we can take is for brothers and sisters to shoulder arms and come together and fight this battle and win!

Therefore in closing, I would like to say to my Black sisters - there is alot of truth to the statement that when you educate a Black woman; you educate a nation. This is true because the Black woman carries her child within her for a period of nine months. During that time she suffers with the child, she sacrifices all that time because she does not have the neccessary finances to secure adequate medical care during her pregnancy.

The part of the mother that dies during this time is reborn in ther child. For this reason the Black mother as all mothers are, has an instinct to protect her child. She has that instinct to make sure her child, lives, survives and has a better and greater opportunity to be a Blackman and a Blackwoman. The Black mother defends and protects her young, the fruit of her womb.

How great is that bond between a mother and her child.

Knowing this, I say to you, all of us are some mothers' sons and daughters. Black sister and Black mother the jails of America are full of your children, your sons are dying in Viet Nam, your sons and daughters are dying from drugs, your children are being murdered everyday in the streets of Babbylon. What has happened to your mothers instinct to defend and to protect your child? Black mother and Black sister, I call upon you to re-affirm your position - for in your hands rest the begining of a hope for tomorrow for Black people - rise up and defend Black people.

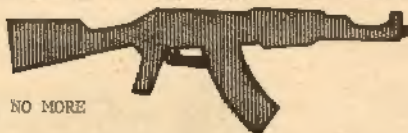
In the words of comrade Elmer "Geronimo" Pratt, "Sister Love, Please don't fail humanity".

Rickey Bolden, 11, was shot and Killed last week in Staten Island. Bolden was shot and Killed after allegedly, stealing a car. The police attempted to justify his death by saying he had been arrested 17 times in the last three years. (More next Issue).



The late Rickey Bolden, 11.

VIETNAM: A BLACK MAN'S VIEW



I SAY NO MORE

by Jamal Amed

Why must I die in Viet Nam?
Nixon is in the White House, he don't
give a damn;
Haven't enough Brave brothers died in
Vain?
A year from now will it all be the
same?

The people in Viet Nam don't make me
a slave;
So if I so choose let me go to my
grave,
Telling all the people I am not going
to die in Viet Nam.
If I must die let it be fighting as a
Black man.

For what I believe is right I will die
and go to hell,
I will pay any price to ring my Free-
dom Bell.
The people of Viet Nam want all fight-
ing to cease.
But can you remember anytime when there
was true peace.

The economy of this country grows be-
cause of war.
But a Black man won't gain anything,
what must he die for?
As a Black man I fought in the Revolu-
tion, but I was a slave;
There was a lot of my brothers who died
and went to their grave.



Now for ten years we have been dying
in Viet Nam;
When will this useless killing stop
please give a damn.
Are you proud to say my son died for
his country's pride?
I wonder what he would say, Tell me why
he died?

The Civil War suppose to had freed me,
but that was a lie.
It really made me look like a fool and
made my mother cry.
To keep the white man safe a great many
brothers died in World War one.
We came back to face a depression so
we hadn't really won.

World War two found me still acting
a fool;
I was still playing soldier boy by
the white man's rule.
The Korean conflict found me stand-
ing in a fox hole,
Looking like a fool in ten below zero
cold.

Now I Jamal Amed am in the Army too,
but why?
They said I have a obligation to my
country, but that is also a lie.
They think they can reform me, they
are very wrong;
For you see I know all about the sy-
stem I lived on the block too long.

FIVE MORE MONTHS ADDED

TEXARKANA, Tex.—Walter Collins, a black draft resister, has had his sentence extended by five months because he made a speech during a work stoppage at the federal prison here.

Prison officials did this by taking away 157 days of freedom he had earned by good behavior and by working in the office. The charge against him was "engaging in or encouraging a group demonstration" which started April 9.

All other men accused of taking a leading part in the strike have been moved to other prisons. Other penalties taken against them there are not known here.

Collins has been locked up for 19 months for refusing to be drafted by an all-white draft board in New Orleans, whose chairman was serving in violation of the law. He was given five five year sentences, but they are being served at the same time.

He would have been eligible for release after serving 44 months if his "good time" had not been taken away. The penalty means that he will have to serve more than 49 months unless freed on parole.

A black member of the U.S. Parole Board held a hearing on Collin's application for parole in late June. The board member told Collins he was "sorry that you are angry."

Collins said: "Perhaps he thinks that I should enjoy being the victim of American racism and judicial repression. Perhaps I should be happy with dwelling in an institution noted for its racism and madness, its destructiveness to people's psyches, and its many inhumanisms.

"But, as I told the parole-board representative, I came here angry, I will leave here angry, and I will be angry as long as this country exists in its present form. And, as I told this man, any black person who lives in America and is not angry is either sick or criminal."



Walter Collins

The speech for which Collins was punished was made on the second day of the three-day work stoppage. Ninety per cent of the 550 black, white, and chicano inmates took part in the strike and also refused to eat.

Collins talked about the special problems of black men in the prison. He demanded changes to remove these problems and also asked for removal of the supervisor of education, whom he described as "contemptuous of black people."

Collins said he was told by prison officials "that my speech was the most inflammatory speech made during the strike; that my speech degraded the U.S. government and the prison staff."

Robert A. Sadler, William H. Allison Jr., and Benjamin E. Smith, attorneys for Collins, plan to challenge his punishment in the courts. They say that prison officials have violated rights of free speech guaranteed to him under the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

They have already asked the U.S. Court of Appeals in New Orleans to act against prison officials. Collins says they have refused to let him have more books, censored his mail, sent some of it back to the senders, and refused to let him have certain visitors.

His attorneys are also asking the U.S. Supreme Court to free Collins on the ground that he was given wrong information by his draft board, which they say is a violation of the Selective Service Act.

WE DEMAND THAT ALL BLACK MEN BE EXEMPT FROM MILITARY SERVICE!
We believe that Black people should not be force to fight in
the military service to defend a racist government that does
not protect us. We will protect ourselves! By Any Means!

Black Student Shot

EARL KENNETH WALKER

BORN: May 6, 1948
KILLED: July 1, 1972

Earl lived at 2715 Third Avenue, Bronx, New York with his mother Mrs. Anne Walker and his sister Beverly. He also had a brother Dwight and a sister Janice, along with a brother Stanley. Earl had served three years in prison; the Bronx House of Detention and in Attica. He had been attending Queens College as a SEEK student since February, 1972. He was majoring in math and aspired to be a mathematician. Earl was very politically minded and was involved in organizations on and off campus. While on campus he was an active member of the United Third World Front, which is the student government for 1500 SEEK students.



killed by police

ATTENTION:
FROM: United Third World Front of the Queens College Seek program 153-05 61st. road, Flushing New York
REGARDING: The murder of Earl Kenneth Walker, a Seek student of Queens College

On Saturday July 1, 1972 at approximately 3:25 p.m., Earl Kenneth Walker age 24, died at Lincoln Hospital of a bullet wound in his chest. Earl had been buying clothes for a Seek sponsored trip to Africa. He was to leave on July 8th. He was shopping at Harry Isaac Clothing Store, which is located at 148th Street and Third Avenue in the South Bronx. Supposedly, he was asked by a clerk if he needed assistance and had replied that he didn't need help then. According to reports the clerk turned away and Earl picked up a floor ash tray and hit him with it, whereupon the salesclerk (name unknown) shot him in the chest.

Those of us who went to school with him and work with him find this story incredible. We question the possibility of Earl doing such a thing, knowing as we did that the brother had just got out of Attica and had his mind set on going to Africa.

Also we question the actions of not only the salesclerk, but of the store owner and the other employees who were working there at the time.

The first story we were told (those of us who spoke to Earl's mother on Saturday) was that a Black guard, (a retired policeman) had shot Earl; but on Sunday the mother and two students were told it was a salesclerk. This changed story was given to them by the police in the 40th precinct.

His sister Janice told Earl's friends, Elaine Clarke and Joyce Sealey, that the police told her that Earl was charged with robbery and assault. Later this was changed to assault only. Knowing this to be false, Janice asked the police what had happened to the \$485.00 Earl had left the house with. The mother was told (at Lincoln Hospital) that Earl had only four cents on him. However by Sunday the story changed

He loved to talk to people and was eager to learn from them, as well as teach them. He especially liked to talk to the very young brothers in order to give whatever guidance he could, be it pertaining to sports, politics, or just life in general. He was very broadminded, and his life experiences allotted him knowledge in many fields.

Earl was a person who loved people and was very devoted to his family and friends. He was very generous with whatever he had, and gave of himself freely. Earl was always very eager to go to new places and meet new people. He was preparing to leave for a three week trip to Africa on Saturday July 8th. He had been looking forward to this trip for a long time. Earl was a brother who faithfully lived what he believed and he was definitely dedicated to "The Struggle", for he had understood the meaning of the word for a long time.

and she was told at the precinct that Earl had \$334.00. This amount she was told verbally as she was not given a written statement of her son's possessions which the police say they are holding for the grand jury investigation.

Because of all of the double stories and the unbelievable charges of Earl assaulting someone, we Earl's friends are working to get an investigation into the real reason for the unnecessary and useless killing of Earl Kenneth Walker. Anyone who can provide information regarding the truth of what happened should get in touch with us at:

Queens College, House *6
153-05 61st. road, Flushing, New York
Attn. Elaine Clarke or Joyce Sealey

We will keep up our efforts until someone is held responsible for Earl's death. We know him to be a beautiful Black man with a love for people and a love for life which he would not forfeit over an argument.

New American SLAVERY

SLAVERY, RACISM, and COLONIALISM are as much a part of the tradition and function of the "amerikkkan system" as they are of any capitalist nation of Western Europe. If there is anything unique or "exceptional" about amerikkkan national development, it is that these mechanisms (slavery, racism, and exploitation) were more highly developed and more cleverly concealed. The widely held assumption that there is inherent in the "amerikkkan" consciousness some ideal that a "great day" will come when the imperialists will step down from the stage of history is another Alice in Wonderland fairy tale. The dominant Capitalist ideal is to make money and by the exploitation of others.

The status of the Afro-Americans, Indians, Puerto Ricans, Mexicans in racist Amerikkka today, each a colonized people, confined as they are to the bottom of the pyramid of economic and political power confirms this point. The Indians had their tribal lands confiscated and those who survived the genocidal policies of the colonizers were herded onto special enclaves called reservations which were in reality concentration camps. The Mexicans were colonized by military occupation, their lands outright stolen and their culture subordinated to the anglo-saxon culture. This is more the classic pattern of colonization which Amerikkka has used in colonizing such territories as the Philippines, Puerto Rico and Guam. (Today the colony of Guam is used as a base for Amerikkkan bombing missions over Vietnam.)

The uniqueness of Afro-Americans experience is their ancestors were forcibly removed from their traditional habitats and transported to a new territory unfamiliar to them, colonized and enslaved (a condition that still remains). They were not permitted to enter the mainstream of institutional life, but were forcibly excluded from participation by a vicious system established by those who owned the land and the means of production (Capitalists). This constitutes the unique brand of colonialism suffered by Afro-Americans.

We as a people are the bulk of the unskilled and semi-skilled work force of the highly developed "Amerikkkan" economy. Our plight however may be compared to that of most third world countries that of "underdevelopment". Today in the "affluent" economy of the United States, Blacks stagger under the deprivation of some 23 billion dollars a year. It must be noted and emphasized that our colonial-type status, in both its rural plantation and urban ghetto form, does not function separate and apart from the general contours of American life. It is institutionalized and imbedded within the larger socio-economic structure of Amerikkkan society. As such it has historically served in a special way the basic economic law of capitalist accumulation.

Under capitalism the Amerikkkan people have created the material basis for a society of abundance, in which the material and cultural well being of all is now possible. However, the exploitation of man is a

basic law of capitalist production and accumulation; therefore exploitation is at the very heart of the values of racist Amerikkkan society. Consequently, this system is incapable of creating the ethical and moral values which would make "man's inhumanity to man" an impossibility.

Fortunately for us there is emerging into prominence nations imbued with these ideas and ideals. These nations are rejecting the ethics of "Western civilization" and throwing off the yoke of colonialism, neo-colonialism and imperialism. They are creating a new period in world history and despite many obstructions by reactionary forces are creating a new social mentality among men.

"This is why we have decided to become revolutionaries and servants of the people, to break the old traditional things such as oppression and exploitation and standard things such as it being people of color who are oppressed and exploited." Al Carroll

"BLACK NATIONALIST DEMOCRATS"

At a point in our struggle for liberation when it is becoming not a group of isolated events, when it is beginning to come together in a unity of purpose, we must also deal with some problems. The needs of our people will eventually determine and judge what we (you and me) will be. My, nor yours, nor any individual's desires and needs can replace those desires and needs of our people as a whole. Thus, the first and foremost responsibility of an individual is not to oneself, but to the destiny of our people. Of course there are tremendous obstacles that cross our path in fulfilling the needs and desires of our people. The government continuously and at every minute tries to sway us over to "their side." They apply that 400- years-old submit-or-die policy on us while they have all the IBMs, technology, the idiot boxes and movies on their side, always pushing individualism or death. But we are at a point of understanding their hideous threat and we must take it as that because in every dealing, especially in dealings with Third World people, the Amerikkkan government has always showed their inhumanity, unfairness, cruelty etc. at us. One soon sees, looking at history, that nothing they have ever done was done in our interests! (Check that out, Black Amerikka.)

Another problem or obstacle is a tendency to move towards a "Black Nationalist Democrat" position. One of Dr. Kwame Nkrumah's major contributions was his deep analysis of neo-colonialism. Looking at Amerikkkan politics, Amerikka and its "Black Nationalist Democrats" flunkies with their Bantustan tactics are playing us for chumps and suckers. In Amerikkkan politics we ain't voting for any power for us! If the Black Political Convention goes into an Amerikkkan politics bag, it will just be another sham! There is not structure in Amerikkkan politics for the racist Amerikkkan worker, let alone for the super oppressed, let alone for Blacks (Africans), or the Third World people in this country. We cannot fall for any "Black Nationalist Democrats." If we are going to deal with power and white nationalism from a position of power, let us deal with it from that level, not as a support group for one their groups of power, not as lobbyists, not from a negative position, but from a position of power, from a positive position. The Republicans will not solve our problems. The Democrats will not solve our problems. The

November white election will not solve our problems! We must start solving some of our own burning questions; do we want to separate from this beast and if we do, how. (In socialist countries, they have more self-determination built into their socialist structures.) What type of economics are we going to use? (We cannot see how capitalism will solve many of our problems.) How are we going to implement any type of economics? What type of institutions and structure do we need and how are we going to get them? Do we need some sort of military structure built into our necessary institutions? And who are our true enemies and true friends? The people, our people, must decide these questions of necessity. We are not against revolutionary Black nationalism-in fact a Black nationalism that deals with the true aspirations of our people we stand solid with!

But first we must educate our people to all of the options present; that is a primary task for the "Black Political Convention" — to help us to define politics, its use and its importance in and for our lives. We must counter the U.S. Government's propaganda. So, do we really need any "Black Nationalist Democrats?" We should know the options offered us by capitalism, "free enterprise," "competition," American style and Amerikkkan politics. And if we choose this vulturistic option, we only gain responsibility for South Afrikka, Zimbabwe (Rhodesia), Vietnam etc. By aspiring to be part of the Amerikkkan system, we will only legitimize that system and its repression and victims of this repression and victims of this repression will not separate us from their enemies if we aspire to act in concert with their enemies! The responsibility for these deeds will outweigh any small responsibility over any of our lives by far. Dr. Nkrumah brings this out in any of his works on Neo-colonialism. Revolutionary Black Nationalism is what we need — is not a carbon copy of Amerikkkan's politics that would only be neo-colonialism.

We know that Amerikkka's brand of individualism is at least partly responsible for the help of niggers being pure pigs and selling death, deadly drugs, to their own brothers and sisters, mothers and fathers, sons and daughters, aunts uncles and cousins! The Amerikkkan propaganda is still responsible for our "Bleed when the white man say bleed, bite when the white man says bite, and bark when the white man says bark." (Malcolm X, 1963).

We have to react more to the Anglo-European wants and wishes and react less to our own Black Nationalist desires. So we don't need any "Black Nationalist Democrats!" Nixon? Wallace? Humphrey? McGovern? Not only are they all the same, but even if President Julius Nyerere of the Republic of Tanzania was President of the U.S.A. while the government has the same form of government, structure and institutions, which are capitalist, and white nationalist, he could not help us. It would be a contradiction and an insult to our intelligence if a group of Black Nationalist said that they have the interests of our people at heart and simultaneously backed McGovern, or Humphrey, or Wallace, or Nixon or any one of those do-nothing absentee slave masters! Backing anyone for an office in the U.S. Government is dangerously similar to Bantustan politics! And to fall into a "Black Nationalist Democrat" position would be like putting ourselves into a Swaziland, a South Afrikkan Bantustan situation... We don't need that! What is a McGovern going to do for us that Kennedy or any other cracker didn't do — As Malcolm said "There ain't no difference between a democrat and dixiecrat."

Do we still want to be white? We still have white religions, money, concepts, hopes, desires, politics, all of which were not developed with us in mind. Are we chumps or something? Woodpeckers don't build sparrow's nests! Robins don't even build sparrow nests. Why are we bent on building structures and institutions which are mirror images, funny mirror images of Amerikkka, especially when it is to our disadvantage? We need the power in the hands of our people, and nothing in Amerikka's politics or anything else that she has in mind. We need some self-determination, some land, some things of our own; and doing for self does not mean yourself or myself, but for our collective selves. We do not need some diseased part of this diseased system, some left-overs from this diseased system at that. The Black Political Convention must become a force in the hands of Black people, not in the hands of "Black Nationalist Democrats!" That is the task of all of us. We need a economic force and a military force for any politics or elected office that our people hold if not it will be like Liberia or Swaziland or Bantustan and we don't need that — No Bantustan Politics! One is either part of the problem or part of the solution.

All Power to the People

FOREST, Miss.— More than 60 workers who walked off their jobs at Poultry Packers Inc. on May 10 have won their strike here. The company gave in to demands of the newly formed Mississippi Poultry Workers Union for increased pay, and pay for breakdown time.

Before the strike, workers were not paid while the production line was being repaired, but they were required to stay on the job without pay. The strike started during a breakdown.

At first the strike only involved black workers. However during the course of the strike, white workers began to talk to the union and to attend union meetings.

Although only about 60 workers were involved at Forest, this strike may represent the beginning of a large movement of working people in the Deep South. Thousands of people work in the chicken processing plants in Mississippi, Alabama, and Georgia. Almost all of the plants are small, pay low wages, and have atrocious working conditions.

During the strike, workers at Poultry Packers asked for and received support from the NAACP, the Gulfcoast Pulpwood Association, and the Southern Conference Educational Fund (SCEF).

The next step for the Mississippi Poultry Workers Union will be to seek recognition as bargaining agent for the workers at Poultry Packers. An election supervised by the National Labor Relations Board is expected soon.



INT'L PANTHER

The recent move on the part of the Algerian government that resulted in the arrest of our entire International Section in Algeria is the culmination of a lot of reactionary moves that Houari Boumediene and the Algerian government has been making for the last year.

First of all, we would like to publicly criticize ourselves for a mistake that we made. The Black Panther Party has known for a long time that Algeria was not a truly revolutionary country. At first we did not release this information because we were trying to deal with it behind closed doors in the spirit of revolutionary criticisms. When the first hijacking took place on the 27th of May, the International Section attempted to communicate with the Algerian government to retain the hostages and the money, but the communications was disregarded. The International Section informed the Algerian government that if it failed to give them a reply by the end of June that they would release a report of the state of Algeria.

Algeria signed the 1.6 billion dollar oil contract with El Paso Gas Co. in Texas and sent the \$500,000 back to Western Airlines (which is a related company to El Paso Gas.).

The continued evasive and counter-revolutionary moves on the part of the Algerian government points up very clearly the fact that it is veering towards the capitalist camp. In the same vain of thought President Boumediene is very unimpressed of the fact that he too was an exile during the Algerian struggle against French colonialism points up his bourgeois class nature. We cannot allow the U.S. government and its lackies (Algeria being one) to define revolutionary acts for us. The most recent act of the Algerian government indicates that it has become a tool of U.S. Imperialism and is acting in concert with its master.

We call upon all revolutionary and progressive people of the world to unite and support the overthrow of Imperialism and its lackies. We the struggling people of the world must support each other in our just struggle for freedom and national salvation.

Afro-American Solidarity with
the Oppressed Peoples of the World!

All Power to the People!!
The Black Panther Party

August 2, 72

To:

His Excellency Houari Boumediene
President Council of the Revolution
Democratic Peoples Republic of Algeria

Dear Comrade Boumediene,

During the struggle of Algeria for its national liberation, you were imprisoned in Tunisia, held under the threat of death, because of your uncompromising revolutionary activities on behalf of your people. Thus, I know, having experienced this extreme attempt to block you you must have become an authority on the vicissitudes in store for those who undertake the arduous task of struggle against the system of oppression. Recently, I had the pleasure of watching, on television, your triumphal return to Tunisia, the site of your imprisonment. You had gone full circle. History records few such cases, of struggle against such odds, of the bitterest disappointment, of a nearly tragic execution, and then a triumphal return at the head of the government of your people.

It is because of your personal experience in struggle, the deprivation and opposition which you suffered, and your dedicated perseverance to final victory, that I am addressing this letter to you, with full confidence that you are equipped by experience to understand, and with hope that you are inclined, as befits a revolutionary warrior for the liberation of his people, to be sympathetic towards those who are still locked in struggle for the liberation of their people.

I trust that you will not be offended by my taking this an open letter to you, because no offense is intended. My main reason for making this an 'open letter' is that at least I can be assured

FACTS.....

1. BLACK PANTHER DONALD COX CALLED NEW YORK OFFICE IN ALGERIA.....
2. AUGUST 9TH - NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS, NEW YORK.....
3. 10 P.M. AUGUST 9TH - NEW YORK CONTACT CALL SURROUNDED BY ALGERIAN POLICE WHO CAME UNDER FIRE.....
4. AUGUST 10TH - AT APPROXIMATELY 9 A.M. ALGERIAN GOVERNMENT WAS: A "CAN ANSWER ONLY QUESTIONS DEALING WITH THE B "REFERRED US TO EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON.....
5. AUGUST 10TH APPROXIMATELY 4 P.M. OFFICE CALLED IN ALGERIA..... (IF THEY SUSPECTED GUNS IN OFFICE, WHY WAS IT NOT SEARCHED?).....
6. AUGUST 10TH -UPI NEWS WERE REPORTS PANTHERS PLACED UNDER HOUSE ARREST (PROTECTIVE CUSTODY).....
A. ELDRIDGE CLEAVER'S PHONE IN ALGERIA.....
B. PANTHER OFFICE IN ALGERIA TAKEN OVER BY ALGERIAN POLICE.....

1. IF PANTHERS IN ALGERIA ARE UNDER ARREST.....
2. HOW MANY PANTHERS ARE BEING HELD AND WHERE.....
3. WHAT ARE THE NAMES OF THOSE ARRESTED?.....

WE DEMAND ANSWERS

for information call:

Algerian Mission -- New York 212-YU 6-0595

Black Panther Party Headquarters -- 212-864-3838
N.Y. Consulate Republic of New Africa -- 212-763-1111
P.R. Revolutionary Workers Organization (YLP) -- 212-763-1111

Asians in Solidarity with 3rd World Struggle -- 212-763-1111



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.....FACTS

1 AUGUST 973. LEFT URGENT MESSAGE TO CALL OFFICE
...WHY?

OUR RETURN'S URGENT CALL TO ALGERIA, NO ANSWER
...WHY?

US HEADQUARTERS; REPORTS, ALGERIAN HEADQUARTERS
ON THE PRETEXT OF LOOKING FOR GUNS. WHY?

ERIAN MISSION IN NEW YORK CONTACTED; RESPONSE
WITH UNITED NATIONS.....WHY?
OM, D.C.....WHY?

CONTACT CONFIRMS ARREST OF DONALD COX AT HIS HOME
...WHY?
COX'S HOME SEARCHED AND WHY WAS HE ARRESTED)

AS IN ALGERIA ARRESTED AND TAKEN TO VILLA AND
BODY).....WHY?
A BEING ANSWERED BY ALGERIAN INTERPRETER.
TER BY ALGERIAN SECRET POLICE.....WHY?

.....WHY? WERE ANY GUNS FOUND?
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Algerian Embassy -- D.C. 202-234-7246

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87-8246
212-903-9654 Or 212-663-3543

- WA 6-7412

In Defense of Aircraft Expropriations!

Why a political hijacking or aircraft expropriation? For any reason that furthers the peoples' just struggle against the United States governments' exploitative, brutal, and racist system. The same system that finds it necessary to murder and brutalize Vietnamese people in a vain attempt to block their just struggle to determine their own destiny on all levels. Like our comrades in Vietnam, we the Black and other oppressed peoples of the United States are waging a just war of liberation against the same murdering capitalists.

In this early stage of armed struggle in the United States, the liberation fighters are in constant and desperate need for many things to survive and advance. It is a just and correct tactic to expropriate all we can from the big capitalist companies and corporations who exploit billions from the people.

The difference between a criminal act and a revolutionary act must be defined by and for the sake of struggling people around the world. We can not allow the criminal government of the United States and its sniveling lackies to define these acts for us. The difference in a revolutionary act and a criminal act is that a criminal act does some injustice to a person or a large group of people by a few, while a revolutionary act helps a people in their just struggle against a few greedy, wicked people.

It is definitely in the interest of the U.S. capitalists to define all acts of expropriation aimed at the big corporations as criminal acts. The United States government claims that they

are trying to protect the lives of the people, but when you check out their desperate little tactics to repress the struggling people of the world, we can see them for the lying, hypocritical, warmongers they are.

It is clear that the main reason the U.S. is waging their campaign against aircraft expropriations, is to block revolutionaries around the world in general, and revolutionaries in the United States in particular, from what has proven to be a successful revolutionary tactic.

We, the struggling people of the world, must support each other in all correct revolutionary actions aimed at the destruction of world imperialism headed by the number one enemy of the world, U.S. Imperialism!

"Together in Unity and Struggle we will surely be victorious".

All Power to the People!
International Section
Black Panther Party
Algiers, Algeria

that it will come to your attention, which is something I cannot say with the same confidence about my other attempts to communicate with you recently. Indeed, the members of the International Section of the Black Panther Party find it almost impossible, these days to communicate with any member of the Algerian government, with the exception of those at the very lowest levels who have no information and who are unable to resolve even the most trivial problem. But beyond these considerations, and perhaps most importantly of all, the recent developments, involving the Algerian Government, the Government of the United States, the International Section of the Black Panther Party, and the Afro-American Liberation Struggle, pose a number of questions to which many people in the world require, demand, and deserve answers.

The establishment of the International Section of the Black Panther Party which was officially opened on September 13, 1970, was an historic advancement for the Afro-American Liberation Struggle. This marked the first time in the history of the Afro-American people that we were able to consolidate a foothold on the international level, in a friendly country whose valiant people waged a heroic war of liberation from French colonialism. It marked a first time in his tory that Afro-American Freedom Fighters

succeeded in establishing machinery to serve the struggle of our people, beyond the reach of the fascist imperialist forces of the United States ruling class.

The Afro-American people are a people of African descent, whose forefathers were kidnapped by slavetraders, uprooted from our ancestral Motherland of Africa, and cast down into the bottomless pit of inhuman slavery in the United States of America. So that it was with a triumphal spirit of "homecoming", of return to Africa, that we undertook the establishment of the International Section of the Black Panther Party. We felt that a vital link had been forged, that we were amongst our brothers and sisters of Africa, and that from this small beginning we could build a mighty unity between our people, who are trapped and struggling in the bowels of the beast of U.S. Imperialism and Fascism and our brothers and sisters in Africa who are struggling for a world of freedom and peace, in which all the children of Africa can enjoy the fruits of a life consistent with the precepts of Human Dignity.

The Afro-American people will always be grateful, and we will never forget, that the Algerian people and Government, and you, personally, President Boumediene, extended to our struggle this helping hand in our hour of need.

The Afro-American people are fully

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IN DEFENSE OF SELF DEFENSE

Most human behavior is learned behavior. Most things the human beings learn are gained through an indirect relationship to the object. Humans do not act from instinct as lower animals do. Those things learned indirectly many times stimulate very effective responses to what might be later a direct experience. At this time the black masses are handling the resistance incorrectly. The brothers in East Oakland learned from Watts a means of resistance fighting by amassing the people in the streets, throwing bricks and molotov cocktails to destroy property and create disruption. The brothers and sisters in the streets were herded into a small area by the gestapo police and immediately contained by the brutal violence of the oppressor's storm troops. This manner of resistance is sporadic, short-lived and costly in violence against the people. This method has been transmitted to all the ghettos of the black nation across the country. The first man who threw a molotov cocktail is not personally known by the masses, but yet the action was respected and followed by the people.

The Vanguard Party must provide leadership for the people. It must teach the correct strategic methods of prolonged resistance through literature and activities. If the activities of the party are respected by the people, the people will follow the example. This is the primary job of the Party. This knowledge will probably be gained second hand, by the masses just as the above mentioned was gained indirectly. When the people learn that it is no longer advantageous for them to resist by going into the streets in large numbers, and when they see the advantage in the activities of the guerrilla warfare method, they will quickly follow this example.

But first, they must respect the party which is transmitting this message. When the Vanguard group destroys the machinery of the oppressor by dealing with him in small groups of three and four then escapes the might of the oppressor, the masses will be overjoyed and will adhere to this correct strategy. When the masses hear that a gestapo policeman has been executed while sipping coffee at a counter and the revolutionary executioners fled without being traced, the masses will see the validity of this type of approach to resistance. It is not necessary to organize thirty million Black people in primary groups of two's and three's but it is important for the party to show the people how to go about revolution. During slavery, in which no vanguard party existed and forms of communication were severely restricted and insufficient, many slave revolts occurred.

There are basically three ways one can learn through study, through observation, and through actual experience. The black community is basically composed of activists. The community learns through activity, either through observation or participation in the activity. To study and learn is good but actual experience is the best means of learning. The party must engage in activities that will teach the people. The black community is basically not a reading community. Therefore it is very significant that the vanguard group first be activists. Without this knowledge of the black community, one could not gain the fundamental knowledge of the black revolution in racist America.

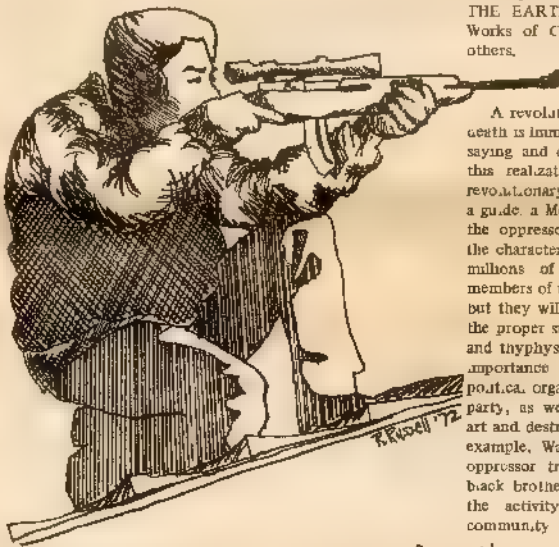
The main function of the party is to awaken the people and to teach them the strategic method of resisting the power structure, which is prepared not only to combat the resistance of the people with massive brutality, but to totally annihilate the black community, the black population.

If it is learned by the power structure that black people have "x" amount of guns in their possession, this will not stimulate the power structure to prepare itself with guns, because it is already more than prepared.

The end results of this education will be positive for Black people in their resistance and negative for the power structure in its oppression, because the party always exemplifies revolutionary defiance. If the party is not going to make the people aware of the tools of liberation and the strategic method that is to be used, there will be no means by which the people will be mobilized properly.

The relationship between the vanguard party and the masses is a secondary relationship. The relationship between the members of the vanguard party is a primary relationship. It is important that the members of the vanguard group maintain a face-to-face relationship with each other. This is important if the party machinery is to be effective. It is impossible to put together functional party machinery or programs without this direct relationship. The maneuvers of the vanguard group should be tested revolutionaries. This will minimize the danger of Uncle Tom informers and opportunists.

The main purpose of vanguard group should be to raise the consciousness of the masses through educational programs and certain physical activities the party will participate in. The sleeping masses must be bombarded with the correct approach to struggle through the activities of the vanguard party. Therefore the masses must know that the party exists. The party must use all means available to get this information across to the masses. If the masses do not have knowledge of the party, it will be impossible for the masses to follow the program of the party.



"What distinguishes the true revolutionary from the false revolutionary is precisely this: one acts to move the masses, the other waits for the masses as a whole to acquire awareness before starting to act."

.... Fidel Castro

The vanguard party is never underground in the beginning of its existence, because this would limit its effectiveness and educational processes. How can you teach people if the people do not know and respect you? The party must exist above ground as long as the dog power structure will allow, and hopefully when the party is forced to go underground the message of the party will already have been put across to the people. The vanguard party's activities on the surface will necessarily be short-lived.

This is why it is so important that the party make a tremendous impact upon the people before it is driven into secrecy.

At this time, the people know the party exists, and they will seek out further information on the activities of this underground party.

Many would-be revolutionaries work under the false illusion that the vanguard party is to be a secret organization that the power structure knows nothing about, and the masses know nothing about, except for occasional letters that come to their homes by night. Underground parties cannot distribute leaflets announcing an underground meeting. These are contradictions and inconsistencies of the so-called revolutionaries. The so-called revolutionaries are in

fact afraid of the very danger that they are advocating for the people. These so-called revolutionaries want the people to say what they themselves are afraid to say, and the people to do what they themselves are afraid to do. This makes the so-called revolutionaries cowards and hypocrites.

If these impostors would investigate the history of revolution, they would see that the vanguard group always starts out above ground and is later driven underground by the aggressor. The Cuban Revolution exemplifies this fact, when Fidel Castro started to resist the butcher Batista and the American running dogs, he started by speaking on the campus of the University of Havana in public. He was later driven to the hills. His impact upon the dispossessed people of Cuba was very great and received with much respect. When he went into secrecy, Cuban people searched him out. People went to the hills to find him and his band of twelve. Castro handled the revolutionary struggle correctly. If the Chinese Revolution is investigated, it will be seen from the masses. There are many areas one can read about to learn the correct approach, such as the revolution in Kenya, the Algerian Revolution, Fanon's WRETCHED OF THE EARTH, the Russian Revolution, the Works of Chairman Mao-Tse Tung, and a host of others.

A revolutionary must realize that if he is sincere, death is imminent due to the fact that the things he is saying and doing are extremely dangerous. Without this realization, it is impossible to proceed as a revolutionary. The masses are constantly looking for a guide, a Messiah to liberate them from the hands of the oppressor. The vanguard party must exemplify the characteristics of worthy leadership. Millions and millions of oppressed people might not know members of the vanguard party personally or directly, but they will gain through and indirect acquaintance the proper strategy for liberation via the mass media and in physical activities of the party. It is of prime importance that the vanguard party develop a political organ, such as a newspaper produced by the party, as well as employ strategically revolutionary art and destruction of the oppressor's machinery. For example, Watts. The economy and property of the oppressor tries to whitewash the activities of the black brothers, the real nature and the real cause of the activity was communicated to every black community. For further example, no matter how the

oppressor tries to distort and confuse the message of Brother Stokely Carmichael, Black people all over the country understand it perfectly and welcome it.

The Black Panther Party teaches that in the final analysis, the amount of guns, and defense weapons, such as hand grenades, bazookas, and other necessary equipment, will be supplied by taking these weapons from the power structure, as exemplified by the Viet Cong. Therefore, the greater the military preparation on the part of the oppressor, the greater is the availability of weapons for the black community. It is believed by some hypocrites that when the people are taught by the vanguard group to prepare for resistance, this only brings the man down on them with increasing violence and brutality, but the fact of the matter is that when they become more oppressive, this only heightens the revolutionary fervor. The people never make revolution. The oppressors by their brutal actions causes the resistance by the people. The vanguard party only teaches the correct methods of resistance. So, if things can get worse for oppressed people than they will feel, no need for revolution or resistance. The complaint of the hypocrites that the Black Panther Party is exposing the people to deeper suffering is an incorrect observation. People have proved that they will not tolerate any more oppression by the racist dog police through their rebellions in the black communities across the country. The people are looking now for guidance to extend and strengthen their resistance struggle.

GUERRILLA NOTES...

achilles' heel

We propose to those who have the necessary conscience, understanding and courage that we replace impotent appeals with guerrilla action!

(The following introduction may function as a time-saver for most readers who will find that they need not continue past its bleak inventory.)

A. Most people don't fight the crimes of the world. They don't dare. They lack the necessary conscience.

B. Of the few who do have the necessary conscience, most are confused and paralyzed by the complexity of the atrocities they face. They lack the necessary understanding. (we don't mean that they're dumb. They may, in fact, be astutely slow learners who know not when to be too smart! Still, whatever their motivation, they lack the necessary understanding.)

C. Of the very few, who do have the necessary conscience and understanding, most fear the consequence of the atrocities of reacting to their own conscience and understanding! They lack the necessary courage. They fear themselves! (That's hard to fix.)

The awful thing about the A-B-C groups is their loyalty to history, wrong or right. (In this, in effect, promiscuous loyalty?) They can be depended upon to join any bandwagon when it has achieved the proper momentum. They never suffer change of heart. Only, change of seat.

Groups B and C are important sources for the self-appointed leader whose impressive incapacity for shame qualifies him as an all-purpose, heavy duty leader who is always leading people, who never says die (as he arises from the ashes of his last flock), the creative-reversible leader who is always, ready, indignantly, to lead in the correction of dangerous errors just committed (by himself).

D. Of the very, very few who have the necessary conscience, understanding and courage most don't know what to do...How...where... with whom! At least this quandary is honorable. Even solvable. Now (as those who inevitably had to leave are leaving) we'd like to state bluntly: we're sectarian. We are not trying to prove the crime to the great majority which really doesn't care, and we're not trying remedial work with the astutely slow learners. (We do understand that there are enough other people working on these treadmills.) Because we really want to attack major crimes we're addressing only the D-people. With them we have a chance.

Rejecting the Limited Threat

Why are we so everlastingly ineffective? Because we stubbornly continue to use methods that don't work: petitions, parades, lesser-evil candidates and such surrealist inventions as very obedient civil-disobedience. We're depressed by the refusal to face facts behind the repetition of appeals to powerful people who don't have to listen. If half a million people "visit" Washington and say STOP to

MEMBERS OF ST. LOUIS United Front Beaten!



Bro. Bob Williams, St. Louis United Front Coordinator, Sis. Regina Dennis, member of the committee for Equal Justice, and Sis. Wyvetta Ratledge, St. Louis United Front public relations manager, at the St. Louis Christian Hospital following their brutal beating in the St. Louis City Jail, July 11, 1972.

Bro. Williams suffered cuts, lacerations of the head, and dog bites. He is pictured in his blood stained clothes.

Sis. Dennis and Sis. Ratledge were also beaten and tear gassed along with members of the St. Louis Committee for Equal Justice, who were called into the city jail by city jail officials to be citizen observers.

a government which doesn't stop, the half million should seriously injure that government. (That really shouldn't be so difficult for that many people. Their crap alone could bury it). But nothing happens. The ineffectual appeals are repeated on the next festive occasion. Meanwhile, the enemy (yes, fellow tourists, there is one!) watches us, analyzes us and reacts to the convincing display of our impotence.

When people insist on repeating stupidities there must be a reason. Could it be that they know that as long as they threaten the government unconvincingly they will be allowed to threaten? To accept this understanding, this arrangement, is to sell out. It's particularly distasteful when an exponent of Limited Threat charges us with having provoked a backlash. Here's the rationalization.--

Damn it! you adventurers have spoiled everything. Everything was going along O.K. Sure the government is a murderer. But we were pleading with the murderer to stop. And, although the murderer didn't listen and didn't stop murdering he let us plead! Now you people have generated real hostility and angered the government, and now there will be repression for which we will hold you responsible. This is what alienates people from our cause.

And here's the real reason--

It is of course safer to aim a clearly limited

It is of course safer to aim a clearly limited threat against a relaxed, amused secure enemy who understands that you're not dangerous that it is to attack seriously an angry, frightened enemy who knows he must destroy you.

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Too bad. Some times our dear progressive friends THINK FINK! What really goes on in the minds of perpetual members of "Dellinger's Guided Toursoof Washington, UN Plaza and other Deserted Areas? Why do they keep on expending limitless energy in producing limited threats?

They protest--after checking the rules of protest with the police!
They raise their voices--quietly!
They hit the streets--neatly within police organized barricades!
They demonstrate their strength--where no one can see!
When they discover that they are blocking traffic so effectively that traffic really can't move (in front of IIT recently) they agree with the police that one lane must be opened so that there won't be a real impasse. It makes one wonder: what the hell is this, anyway? (It must be jelly because traffic jam don't shake like that.)

What a soul-searing game this limited threat is! You stage your limited threat! You judge your opponent's anger. You hesitate. You retreat!

Effective Action

What is effective action? hardly difficult to identify, even if difficult to produce. If you're after murder, you don't appeal to the murderer because pleading never stopped bleeding. The best way to stop a murderer (whom you can't arrest because arresting is one of his career skills) is to kill him. However, when the whole government is the murderer, we have to stop the wheels that turn out the atrocities. The function of Project Achilles' Heel has been to find and to help others find the weak spots that stop the wheels. (In fact, in this piece, we're searching for your Achilles' Heel!)

What can one do? What is significant action? Think honestly. Stop going through empty motions. Stop perfecting your affectations. Judge actions by the following: DOES IT SAVE A LIFE? DOES IT STOP AN ATROCITY?

Of course, not every action can be this effective. But even though your actions is less than this and can only be considered a symbolic one, is it potent enough, hopefully to help generate other more effective attitudes and acts? For example, if the Pentagon bombing was not potent enough to save a life or prevent an atrocity, its fault is a matter of degree. That act was still an important symbolic guerrilla act. At least the Pentagon computer was injured--perhaps not seriously enough this time, or perhaps more seriously than the government let us know.

Probably you have often approved of guerrilla acts committed in other countries. But in your own country, these days, can you approve of and participate in the following?

- A Sabotage of War Production and War Research. Turn Death Factories, Industrial or Academic into Cemeteries.
- Sabotage the Armed Forces in every way possible: draft resistance, defection, resistance within, etc.
- Sabotage Pollution at its source (e.g. the nuclear plant)
- Boycott the Elections and expose the Limited Threat of lesser evil, reforming politics which guarantees perpetual power to the same criminals.
- Stop the Gestapo Dead!

It's right that a bomb should destroy a university building in which scholars improve the destruction of the world. Any decent person who says, "I wouldn't be caught dead

there!" won't be. When death factories, industrial or academic, convincingly become cemeteries, the dependable great adjusting mass won't work there.

A-B-C- people tell us that we're acting violent like the enemy, that we might hurt some one. Yes, that's the idea.

Guerrilla Attitude

Words have always been tricky. We don't use the term "underground" rocks music, not governments. "Guerrilla action" is possible for individuals and small groups, regardless of various pacification developments on the left, so we use that term. We don't say guerrilla war because that is premature. So is revolution (another hijacked term). We hope that replacing limited threats with guerrilla acts can begin to generate the momentum needed for eventually overthrowing corrupt systems. You haven't been programmed to act the guerrilla. It's not natural. On the contrary, you have been programmed to expect violence and to expect that it can't be stopped. Your rebellion has been programmed as a loyal if bother some opposition.

Check yourself out for signs of affectations of rebellion. Underneath the affectations, are you accepting and adjusting like the others? Are you afraid to commit yourself to guerrilla attitudes--to sabotage, to bomb, to really take on the bastards? It's understandable. One really has to think things over before disrupting one's life-as-usual. You should try to get what you can out of this messed-up world--the beauty of love, children, friendship nature and art. But the atrocities go on.. and intrude. So, if you have the necessary conscience, understanding and courage, and very important, an Achilles' Heel, you might evolve an anonymity (very healthy!) as part of your new double life. Getting caught in a guerrilla act can interrupt your pursuit of happiness. So, how about fear? If one can conquer the old hypocritical habit of safe political activity and convert to the guerrilla gamble. (one tries to be careful, but there are no safe gambles).

Is it worth the dangerous life? Doesn't life have enough trouble and tension without adding the strain of secrecy? Yes. Nevertheless, in our normal lives we continually "aid and abet" the murderer. It takes a certain abnormalcy to break out.

Rather than "behave" and accept the atrocities of life, some people "misbehave". They may even act "naughty". They may even clown about. But aren't they being "contained" as jesters to the court? True, sometimes the court jester sticks an effective pin into the establishment, but there must be a deadlier weapon somewhere.

Since there can be no honest choice between strong and weak begging, we must act to hurt the enemy. And, without slipping into romanticism, it is certainly valid to enjoy our own ability to fight back, to use our wits against superior power wielded by inferior mentality. One fights back better when one enjoys it.

But what can a few do? how silly! The few have always started it.

But perhaps you feel too weak?

There was once a mouse (in the full, empty sense of the word). Unlike most other mice, he was revolted by the squeaky sound of his own voice. (Undignified, he thought.) Though small and weak, he had conscience, understanding and courage (and by way of bonus, even a sense of humor). One day he shut his mouth, thought, opened his eyes and looked at hard facts. As a result, he adopted a guerrilla attitude (in an understandable fit of image re-naming himself "Anonymouse") and discovered that once one understands the enemy and its traps one can (simply by changing ones mouse-trap locations in the middle of the night) get away in the Achilles' Heel.

Pass this On!

Project Achilles' Heel

NORFOLK PANTHERS BUSTED FOR HELPING

NORFOLK--(BCNS) A Police Court hearing for two members of the Black Panther Party arrested on charges of illegal picketing and disorderly conduct was continued to August 25th.

The Panthers, Robert .. McGhee 24, of the 1100 block of Church St., and William Earl Harrell, of the 100 block of Radipidan St. in Portsmouth, declined court-appointed representation.

Bro Ashanti (McGhee) and Bro. Earl were arrested on the 25th of July while they were in the process of helping the sisters out at General Foam and Plastic Company in their picket line against the company because of bad working conditions.

The sisters have been out on strike since July 17th. Some of their grievances are requirements of having to bring in a doctor's note if you have to go to the bathroom more than twice a day. Salaries of from 1.60 to 1.80 an hour even after 18 years on the job. No cafeteria, only a vending machine. No benefits.

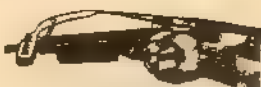
The members of the Black Panther Party saw the inhuman conditions under which our people were working at General Foam & Plastic and decided to help fight their battle.

Earl Harrell and Ashanti Wangara were arrested and are going to take it to trial. This trumped up case is simply a method they are using to try and discourage us from helping the brothers and sisters out at the General Foam and Plastic Co. They will not succeed. We will continue to serve the basic needs of our people and help them to fight the forces of oppression and repression by any and all means possible.

VIRGINIA STATE CHAPTER
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INTERNATIONAL



NEWS



Roy Wilkins, a black member of the U.S. National Association for the Advancement of Coloured People (NAACP) is the latest of a number of so-called anti-racists to fall into the trap, so neatly laid by Nixon's new policy of "Selective Involvement" with white governments in Africa. This involvement, so the argument goes, is based on the false theory that friendly persuasion rather than constant condemnation would be more likely to make the racists modify their racial policies.

The following is a joint statement issued by the American Committee on Africa and the Africa Research Group on the Wilkins statement defending U.S. business enterprises in South Africa, made during a recent visit to the country. In our next issue we hope to present a fuller analysis of the new Nixon Doctrine for South Africa.

CIVIL RIGHTS ACTIVIST REJECTS CIVIL RIGHTS

reprint from Sechaba

It is appalling to learn that NAACP director Roy Wilkins has chosen Johannesburg, South Africa as a platform from which to defend the role of U.S. business in that segregated pariah state. Which side is he on?

Mr. Wilkins' statement is a betrayal of the expanding struggle of the African people for freedom and self-determination. It is made in the face of growing opposition in the United States to continued government and private collaboration with the racist minority regimes of Southern Africa. It can only serve to give aid and comfort to businesses badly needing to justify their continued exploitation of the oppressed African majority. It will give a tremendous boost to the South African government, which has been desperately seeking conciliatory blocks to improve its world image.

It ties in the face of the often stated NAACP position on South Africa, and undercuts the policies of the United Nations and the Organization of Africa Unity.

It is hard to believe that an American civil rights leader could have stated "I am not advocating the violating of laws" in South Africa, where two and a half thousand African men and women are imprisoned daily because they cannot avoid breaking the vicious pass laws. South African laws have torn a million people from their homes to enforce segregation and are splitting families every day. South African laws specifically bar all who are not white from participation in making the laws. No African, Asian or Coloured has any legal means of influencing or changing such laws. Yet Mr. Wilkins says "Changes should be made legal".

Education for Servitude

Given the recent upsurge of activity across the country against American corporate involvement in Southern Africa, Mr. Wilkins' sudden statement reads an attempt by American corporations to neutralize sentiments which are calling for a complete withdrawal of U.S. corporations. They very organization that Wilkins spoke to, the Association of Educational and Cultural Advancement (ASSECA), is the same organization that Poloroid gave 15,000 dollars as part of its "experiment". Therefore, Mr. Wilkins' statement is merely a continuation of Poloroid's and other corporations' strategies to promote so-called educational and employment gains for blacks under apartheid. What Mr. Wilkins and Poloroid do not acknowledge is that any amount of money, be it 15,000 dollars or 15,000,000 dollars, or verbal support only serve to aid the South African government in more efficiently educating South Africa blacks for inferiority. It is the law in South Africa that all African education is for servitude. The government's Bantu Education Act states explicitly that the "Bantu (black) must be guided to serve his own community. There is no place for him in the European community above the level of certain forms of labour."

Labour Units

U.S. finance and business give powerful support to the government. This was clear a decade ago when after the massacre at Sharpeville foreign investors withdrew their capital and the economy of South Africa was threatened with collapse. An \$8 million dollar credit loan from U.S. banks, 50 million in trade with the U.S. and 23 million in investments by U.S. corporations turned the tide and saved South Africa. Today U.S. support continues to strengthen

South Africa's economy. B.M.s doubling its investment and G.M.s expansion plans (to mention only two) play a large role in keeping the South African economy safe and stable.

To argue that the preservation of African jobs in U.S. corporations in South Africa is the crucial issue is to ignore the central tragedy Africans in South Africa exist only as labour units. The white government decides how many Africans an employer can have, what jobs they can hold and how long they can stay. The South African government needs U.S. know-how and U.S. capital and it therefore permits U.S. businesses to employ Africans under conditions conforming to apartheid laws. U.S. businesses in South Africa because cheap labour and great natural resources provide the highest profit returns in the world, and not as a benefactor of Africans. Withdrawal of all American business from South Africa would strike at the white-controlled economy, which depends on and profits from U.S. investments. Withdrawal could aid the African forces which bear the brunt of the struggle against apartheid.

The New York Times report closes with a dangerous farce (not attributed to Wilkins) that South Africa has come a long way as if outside contact and involvement had meant better. "Not yet good" - conditions inside South Africa. This is simply not true. While wages for some have increased the gap between white and black wages has actually widened. The past decade of increasing U.S. involvement has coincided with the destruction of the last representation of non-whites in government and the prohibition of multiracial parties. It has seen the banning of African political parties and press and a definition of terrorism which includes advocacy of disengagement (economic withdrawal). Continuous political trials and punishments reveal to the world an opposition that no amount of terror is able to silence.

Until the black majority of South Africa wins basic human and civil rights they will remain prey to exploitation, poverty and persecution regardless of the ownership of any specific industry. That is the basic question. And the fact is that U.S. corporations by accepting and strengthening the apartheid system are helping to postpone the day of majority rule.



Results of Hearing on U.S. war crimes in Indo-China (Vietnam)!

A hearing was opened on June 2 in Stockholm under the sponsorship of the International Commission for Investigation of the U.S. Crimes in Indochina, Lawyer Hans Gersch Franck, Secretary General of the Commission, delivered a report of the Commission. The report said among other things:

"The enormous destruction for which the U.S. and its allies are responsible has attained such level, intensity and scope as to exceed the bounds of our comprehension. Nobody can keep silent today..."

"Nixon's formula is continued and intensified war at the cost of more suffering and death for the peoples of Indochina. This is the essence of his notorious 'Vietnamization' policy. The scheme is to force the Indochinese people to destroy themselves with the help of the American military machine..."

"Now, proclaiming that America shall lead the world into a 'decade of peace', he has escalated the war in the most serious way through desperate and unlawful attempts to strangle the DRVN by denying its supplies from abroad..."

"As long as the Government of the US continues its criminal war of aggression in Indochina, there is no real will to peace, the people of the world cannot feel secure, and we cannot speak of universal peaceful removal of tensions..."

"At its first session in Stockholm in 1970, the Commission stated its conviction that the American military policy in Indochina amounted to genocide - an international crime for which responsible persons are liable to punishment..."

"Today we condemn all the U.S. crimes in Indochina in the strongest possible manner and we demand that they cease without delay."

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August 7th Movement (cont'd)

us by our practical politico-military evaluation of our present situation which is generally 1). Freeing our comrades held captive by the enemy".

It is true that this attempt to liberate prisoners of war was not successful - due to the inhumane acts of the California Department of Corrections - but the act was indeed revolutionary. There are lessons that we can learn from this act, one that the Attica brothers should have learned prior to taking the hostages up at Attica. That lesson is that the AmeriKKKa ruling class is not concerned about who dies, it is only concerned about retaining its power to control.

In spite of this, we as revolutionaries must remember that the duty of revolutionary is to make revolution. We must take the act of Jonathan Jackson, James McLain, William Christmas, and Ruchelle Magee for what it was - the beginning of a movement to liberate prisoners of war through revolutionary methods - the beginning of the August 7th Movement. It is our revolutionary duty to continue to carry forth these acts. The words of Che Guevara are the words of every true revolutionary, they are also the words of Jonathan Jackson, "Wherever death may surprise us, it will be welcomed, provided that this, our battle cry, reach some receptive ear, that another had stretch out to take up the weapons and that other men come forward to intone our funeral dirge with the staccato of machine guns and new cries of battle and victory."

Long Live the Spirit of Jonathan Jackson
and the August Seventh Movement!

Open letter (cont'd from Center)

point, it would be a betrayal of the blood of our people, spilled in torrents for over four hundred years, and a sacrifice of the future, bequeathing to our children the chains that now bind us. This we shall not do.

In concrete terms, this means that we shall continue to fight, using every means available to us, which we judge to be in the interest of our struggle and consistent with revolutionary principles. We believe that our struggle is a profound contribution to the struggles of the other oppressed people of the world, and to the independent countries of the Third World, that are struggling to free themselves from the new yoke of neo-colonialism. At a time when the fascist imperialist government of the United States, headed by the arch-fiend of this century, Nixon, is raining rockets, missiles, and genocidal death down upon the noble Vietnamese people, financially, politically and militarily supporting the lackey Zionist state of Israel against the just aspirations of the Palestinian people, supporting the racist regimes of South Africa, Southern Rhodesia, and Portuguese colonialists against the African peoples, proping up reactionary regimes all over the world and bank rolling death and destruction--at a time like this, when many countries with glorious revolutionary traditions and traditions of struggle and support for the struggling peoples, are abandoning the field and making a separate peace with the enemy, we feel that revolutionaries and those fighting for the liberation of their people must make renewed effort, renew their dedication, and escalate their struggle at all costs. To do less will allow the enemy to consolidate his forces on a new level, carve the world up into new spheres of influence, and erect new obstacles which will ultimately have to be surmounted by those determined to win victory over the forces of oppression and exploitation.

The Afro-American people fully realize that this is their historic moment of opportunity to strike a final blow for their complete freedom. And we shall not hesitate.

(Turn to page 30)

Black people: What yall gon do?



WE ARE PEOPLE

unit. Our motivation throughout the entire affair from beginning to end were political and revolutionary. Seeing the dire need for funds by the revolutionary forces inside the United States, we decided to risk our lives in an effort to obtain these funds. We took the risk, after careful planning and are very happy that we were successful.

There is no way that we could rob the American government or the American capitalist that exploit our people. The American government and American capitalist have been robbing our people - the Afro-American people for over 400 years. We have only taken back a small portion of what has been stolen from our people.

We chose to come to Algeria because as students of the world revolution we knew of Algeria's reputation as a revolutionary country and as a friend and firm supporter of oppressed and fighting peoples everywhere. We are shocked and bewildered to be branded as criminals for our revolutionary activities and to see our successful revolutionary actions threatened with ultimate defeat by the Algerian government itself.

It was the United States government itself that requested of the Algerian government to allow the plane to land in Algeria. We feel that by allowing the plane to land in Algeria, the Algerian government is not obligated to go one step further and play the part of policemen for the United States government.

Therefore, we request that if the Algerian government will not give us back our \$1 million dollars and allow us to remain in Algeria, then give us back our \$1 million dollars and we will go somewhere else.

Thank you and we ask for a speedy response to our request.

Melvin McNair
Jean McNair
Larry Burgess
Joyce Burgess
George Brown & Family

As the dodo bird is, we are also becoming.
..EXTINCT!!

Because of Pushers and Pigs (two parts of a single entity) the black race is becoming extinct. These people are "tools" of the Capitalists Machinery. Machinery that is trying to crush black People into oblivion.

Black people sit back and theorize (speak) about yet another O.D. and the "drug" problem.

Before we can discuss ripping off the man for the good of black people, we must first "clean up our shop of all this madness". We must move to get all the "boot licking" lackies (Dope Dealers) out from this and all other Black communities

EDUCATE THE USER EXTERMINATE THE SELLER

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE

BLACK PEOPLE, what yall gon do?

BLACK PEOPLE, what yall gon do?

You sitting back cursing whitey under you breath
While white pigs stomp Black Brothers to death

Tell me, do you really think you have any Black pride left?

BLACK PEOPLE, what yall gon do?

BLACK PEOPLE, what yall gon do?

You sitting back talk ng about you have a solution
But we have no need for talk we need a damn Revolution

Instead you listen to whiny - and get inferiority
Brain Pollution

And sing "God Bless America" and believe in the Constitution

BLACK PEOPLE, what yall gon do?

BLACK PEOPLE, what yall gon do?

Even though you know the final - comedown is gonna come one day

You're still sitting back ignorant with nothing to say

And when the shit come-down, you'll probably run the other way

Brother, dont you know our enemies got to pay

BLACK PEOPLE, what yall gon do?

BLACK PEOPLE, what yall gon do?

You know you're not in whiteys society class

So we gotta keep pushing or they're gonna to kick us in the ass

And continue to force us to wear this false inferior mask

So why are you letting all this bull shit pass?

BLACK PEOPLE, what yall gon do?

BLACK PEOPLE, what yall gon do?

Im ready to stop talking and take a stand

Im ready to lend my brother a helping hand

Im ready to make whitey understand

That Im a righteous and ready Black man

BLACK PEOPLE, what yall gon do?

TELL ME, what yall gon do?

Cause Im ready ..



GUYANA: ANOTHER LOOK

"In Guyana, while the imperialists control the commanding heights of the economy, sugar plantations, bauxite mines, banking, insurance and foreign trade, the government indulges in tokenism and state capitalism and emphasizes co-operatives, community development and self help. The nationalization of the Demerara Bauxite Company has facilitated the taking out from Canadian hands of our high grade bauxite and placing it firmly under U.S. control, and a local elite replaces a foreign elite at the bureaucratic administrative level."

STRAIGHT TALK CHEDDI JAGAN

In the dawn of the dictatorship, white shadows of doom seem to hang ominously over the Republic of Guyana.

In Guyana the sugar industry continues to be plagued by unpredictable work stoppages. Sugar is a major contributor to the revenue of the country and is the largest single employer of labor. The sugar workers have the ability to stop sugar production and seriously affect the shaking neo-colonialist economy of Guyana. They were, and remain among the most militant of Guyanese workers.

On May Day, the police under orders from the reactionary People's National Congress (PNC) government attacked marching sugar workers, teargassed them, broke up the demonstrations and arrested them. It was the Burnham-led regime which attacked and beat up Demerara Company workers, lithographic workers, and sent riot police against the trawler workers, and attacked and teargassed Linden Bauxite workers, among others. The government stubbornly refuses to carry out an upward revision of wages, to introduce a basic national minimum wage, and to take resolute steps to erase unemployment, underemployment and all the other ills. The sugar workers who are in the majority, support a union opposed to the "company union" (Man power Citizens Association), have a right to march and to demonstrate their solidarity on May Day. The attack on the sugar workers marching on May Day is an attack on all workers throughout the world.

In exposing once again the reactionary, anti-working class features of the government further reveals that it is a creature of, and serves the sugar barons, and must also protect the imperialist inspired Man Power Citizens Association leadership.

Recently there's been numerous reports of misconduct and discrimination in the so-called People's Army of Guyana. So-called because the majority of the PNC supporters are of African descent, and they've made it palucidly clear by their own definition that the People's Army means an army in which the majority of the population, East Indian descendants, will have no representation. Allegations that well qualified Indo-Guyanese applicants have been refused admission to the army are numerous. Not too long ago, several top-ranking GDF (Guyanese Defense Force) personnel have been withdrawn. There have also been allegations that criminal elements are recruited and that these elements "strut around the barracks with an air of superiority and importance." They often abuse their privileges and take advantages of those whom they are supposed to protect. The daily newspapers often carry stories of the misconduct of soldiers. So the question that Guyanese are busy asking themselves these days, "Is the recent shakeup in the Army high command merely intended to prevent a coup or is it a blatant attempt to build an army that will be so loyal to the party in power that it can be readily used to silence dissenting voices?"



BURNHAM



JAGAN

To date, Burnham's talking stage has not been passed, the government has the temerity to boast that by 1976, "it will feed, house and clothe all Guyanese!" The list of unfulfilled promises are lengthy indeed, and neglected projects, abandoned, alleged, because of the lack of funds. Yet, money can always be found for prestige projects, such as the planned elaborate celebrations for the upcoming "Carifesta", estimated to cost over \$2 million, a Caribbean festival of the creative arts, maintenance of palatial homes for overseas diplomats, safaris, and not too long ago four horses were transported by a GAC aircraft to Matthew's Ridge Airstrip for the use of Prime Minister Forbes Burnham and members of his party during a visit to the area. Since Burnham took office in 1964, the USAID has poured \$108 million in loans grants into Guyana, the largest per capita figure in South America, but per capita income is still \$350 per year, and the Guyanese masses still suffer the effects of poverty (the increase in the abandonment of babies has sharpened as a result of the pressures of poverty on families). The local bourgeois are involved as shareholders, managers and directors, who ultimately defend foreign rather than national interests, and reinforce foreign domination. The involvement of nationals and governments as partners in imperialist companies as Bookers Stores, Demerara Tobacco Company and Diamond Liquors for example, makes it very easy to understand the neo-imperialist strategy in Guyana. Like the U.S. owned Cornell Rice and Sugar Company which was given an exclusive contract to market Guyanese rice abroad outside of the Commonwealth Caribbean Market, another wholly owned U.S. company, Philip Brothers AG of ANG Switzerland has been appointed exclusive marketing agents for Guyanese bauxite and alumina for the next three years. Incidentally, this company is owned by the Englehard Family and the giant South African company, Anglo-American Corporation Limited, which Dr. Kwame Nkrumah in his book, "Neo-Colonialism, The Last Stage of Imperialism", describes as the biggest octopus in the Oppenheimer sea of operations."

Kwame Nkrumah in his book, "Neo-Colonialism, The Last Stage of Imperialism", describes as the biggest octopus in the Oppenheimer sea of operations." The American financier, Charles W Englehard, of Englehard Industries Limited, is adviser to the American government on African affairs and is a prominent member of the South African club of mine owners and Director of the Boards of, Anglo-American Corporation of South Africa, Kennecott Copper Corporation, one of the two massive U.S. Copper groups, The Chase Manhattan Bank, and the London based Anglo-American Corporation subsidiary, Charter Consolidated, to name a few.

The Guyanese Comrades want the people to know that while many Guyanese are finding it difficult to obtain land for farming, some American Black Muslims have been settled on farms in the Berbice

area. Are they involved in farming alone? The PNC regime has some very strange bedfellows indeed.

Recently, Chowtal, and East Indian Group from Trinidad was refused permission to enter Guyana to take part in phagwah celebrations, yet, persons of highly questionable status are able to visit the country freely. They say that friendship can be easily dissolved in Guyana. Michael X (Abdul Malik) (Black Power Advocate) must have been a puzzled man for after all the greetings and fating and appearance on the front page of the New Nation, etc., he suddenly found himself disowned and manacled, out in the cold, by the PCN regime, when the alarm was sent out for his arrest, and was plastered across the front was plastered across the front page of the Chronicle, Thursday, February 24, 1972. After many a day intensive searching in the Berbice River area, Malik was eventually found by civilians hiding in a coal pit up the Demerara River trying to escape to Brazil. Malik came on a red carpet and was flown out handcuffed and declared an undesirable.

Let us warn the people of this hemisphere, that regardless of what the Prime Minister has officially declared Guyana is no sanctuary for real freedom fighters.

Habib Tiwon
Caribbean Journalist

"Arise
And be ready to do battle
Against
Concepts
Visions
Self-centered and myopic
And enfeebled by insular quests
Of a persistent colonialising past!
Arise
To fight first
The formidable foes of greed
And private gain
That lurk
In darker corners of deceit
To snare the mind
In complacency
And indifference to public good!
Arise
To liberate an era
Too long imprisoned
Within your own constricted
selves
For a new world dawning
Of man's love for his fellow
man!"

SHABIR KHAN (My Country)

WAR Crimes Hearing cont'd from page 7

The means to this end is for the leaders of the U.S. to take up serious negotiations in a spirit of real respect for the rights which international law guarantees the people of Indochina".

At this session, Bertil Svahnstrom, Chairman of the Stockholm Conference on Viet Nam, denounced the U.S. imperialists for using modern weapons to massacre the civilians and demanded an end to the ecocide in Indochina. Mme Birvitta Jishi, EP and President of the Swedish Committee of Solidarity with Viet Nam, denounced Nixon as a murderer of women and children.

The International hearing adopted unanimously an appeal to governments, organizations and people of the world.

PRISONER'S LABOR UNION AT WALLKILL



But all of this obstructionist and coercive activity could not dampen the spirit of the progressive majority of the prisoners of Wallkill and our determination to lift prison labor out of the status of demeaning slave labor where a prisoner is paid 25¢ for eight hours labor yet has to pay 38¢ for a two-pound box of sugar in the commissary and after having labored in prison for years is released to face society with \$40 in his pockets.

As stated in the Union Constitution, all we seek, through peaceful and lawful means are the following:

- To improve the conditions of Union members;
- To equalize to the fullest extent possible the rights, privileges, and protections of prison labor with those of free labor everywhere;
- To advance the economic, political, social and cultural interests of the prisoners at Wallkill;
- To end the adoption of laws and to secure compliance with existing laws, local, national, international, for the economic, political, and social welfare of all prisoners.

These things are not too much to ask. We are not begging anyone for anything, we don't want welfare. All we ask is fair wages for fair labor so that we may support ourselves and our families in dignity and as human beings. These are prerequisites to rehabilitation, and until prisoners are recognized and treated as human beings rehabilitation will continue to be merely a word to describe a fantasy which has no reality.

Martin Sostre
June 20, 1972

The Prisoners Labor Union now exists in Wallkill Prison. The strong desire of the majority of the newly aware prisoners made our Union a reality despite the massive resistance, intimidation and coercion of the reactionary prison administration which opposes all humanizing change in the treatment of prisoners.

When the Wallkill prison officials found out that prisoners were signing up as members of the Union, they immediately called an emergency meeting of their puppet Inmate Liaison Committee to try to block us. They decided to trot the chairman of this warden's group to the microphone of the prison P.A. system where he delivered a speech approved by his boss-man Lieutenant Connolly, and designed to intimidate those signing up in the union. The gist of the speech was that since "we and the Warden don't approve the signing of any petitions," those who signed up with the Union would get in trouble, perhaps get transferred to a maximum security prison.

This was followed up by the posting by the puppet Liaison Committee of a notice warning the prisoners that the Committee "sanctions nothing adverse to

your welfare," but that they do not "sanction any petitions whatsoever" nor ask anyone to sign their names to anything ever."

The prison officials then circulated the rumor through their agents that everyone that signed up with the union would be subjected to punitive transfers. These coercive tactics failed miserably since only about 6 prisoners out of around 230 were frightened enough to ask us to remove their names from the Union Authorization blanks.

A couple of days later three prisoners who had been active in Union activities and circulating the Union Authorization forms to sign up prisoners were picked up and transferred to Clinton and Auburn prisons. This was followed by the further rumor that 30 more Union members would be transferred to maximum security prisons.

Moreover, prison officials started opening and examining all confidential letters to lawyers in a desperate effort to prevent the Union Authorization forms from getting out. Prison officials also succeeded in confiscating forms containing the signatures of prisoners.

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Open Letter to Boumediene (cont'd)

From pge

When it comes to the specific question of the expropriation of American Air planes by American revolutionaries and freedom fighters, we feel, first of all, that it is an internal problem between the American peoples themselves, to be settled by them, and not by others who are only incidentally involved. However, for purposes of discussion, the most important point that should be raised—a point which the fascist imperialist United States Government goes to great lengths to obscure—is, why is it that the American people have resorted to this desperate measure? What is going on inside the United States that spurs the sons and daughters of America, and lately entire families and combinations of families, to take this fundamental step? It is the unbearable pressures of oppression, and the high resolve of those who are struggling to put an end to the racism, savage, inhuman atrocities, and coldblooded exploitation that gives birth to these acts.

To carry out our struggle for the liberation of our people, as any and every revolutionary and freedom fighter fully understands we must have money. There are no ifs, ands, and buts about that point. Without the money to organize and finance the struggle, there will be no freedom, and those who deprive us of this finance are depriving us of our freedom. This is clear. It is for this reason, and this reason alone, and not because of any humanitarian consideration, that the fascist imperialist ruling circles of the United States are going crazy over the prospects of the one million and a half dollars (1,500,000) recently expropriated by American revolutionaries and freedom fighters coming into the hands of the International Section of the Black Panther Party. Anybody familiar with the barbaric, blood-drenched history of the United States, from the genocidal extermination of the Red Man, the enslavement and slaughter of the Afro-American people, to the outrageous, fiendish war of aggression being waged at this very moment against the People of Indochina, know very well that humanitarian considerations never enter the minds of the U.S. criminal ruling class, except as a propaganda ploy to serve and conceal their true aims of plunder, oppression, and genocide.

The Afro-American people are not asking the Algerian people to fight our battles for us. What we are asking is that the Algerian government not fight the battles of the American government for the fascist imperialist ruling circles that are oppressing the whole of the American people, the American people as a whole, and not only the Afro-American people are locked in a battle to the death against the forces of darkness, exploitation, and aggression that now hold sway in that land. We are fighting for a better world, not just for the Afro-American people, not just for the American people, but for all the people of the world.

The most renowned American symbol of freedom from oppression, which the American people want their country to stand for is the Statue of Liberty, "Mother of Exiles", which has these brave words inscribed on its base:

Give me your tired, your poor.
Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free,
Refuge of your teeming shore.
Send these, the homeless, tempest tossed to me
I lift up my lamp beside the golden shore.

It is not the fault of the Algerian people, or the Algerian government that the torch of freedom held in the hand of the Statue of Liberty is deprived of its flame by the oppression which the United

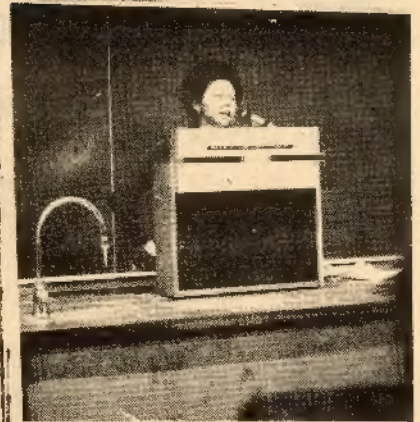
States ruling circles heap upon the peoples of the world, the American people included. But it is to the greater glory of Algeria that the heroic struggles and sacrifices of the Algerian people constitute a magnet for the oppressed people of the world. The two hijacked American Air lines, carrying a cargo of freedom fighters and money expropriated at the risk of death, were guided to Algeria by the magnetic attraction of a people who took up arms and made the ultimate sacrifice for their freedom and liberation. American revolutionaries and freedom fighters do not come to Algeria begging, but rather we came to Algeria because we knew that Algeria understood and respected the rights of oppressed people who are struggling and fighting for their liberation. In the past, during Algetta's war for the national liberation, Algerian revolutionaries and freedom fighters had to turn to other for the assistance and aid they needed, deserved, and received. And history records the ordeals through which the Algerian people had to pass in this regard. We even notice that in El Biar, the central focus is named Place Kennedy, in honor of President Kennedy, who spoke out on behalf of Algerian independence from the French colonial yoke at a decisive moment. But the present United States government is not headed by Kennedy, but rather it is headed by the man who was defeated by Kennedy when he ran for election to that office, a man who stands for everything that Kennedy was against, and who was only able to wiggle his way into that office after President John Kennedy, the man whom you honor by naming one of your principal places for him, was murdered, along with his brother, Robert. So that I know that Algeria understands the value of assistance and support given to oppressed as they carry out their struggle for their freedom and liberation.

Finally, I would like to say that I understand the pressure which the deceitful, unprincipled, fascist, imperialist, United States government is able to bring to bear, to force people to knuckle under to its demands. But this pressure must be resisted. To give into it will only feed its greed in its lust to compromise others and such them into the pit of reaction in which it has trapped itself by its own deeds and actions. In humbleness, and in all sincerity, I think that it would be consistent with Algeria's traditions of struggle and revolutionary principles to continue welcoming American revolutionaries and Afro-American freedom fighters, whether they come to your shores—or your airfields—penniless or with millions of dollars, because it all goes to build the world of our dreams. Also, Algeria should demand that other African countries do likewise, because it is a part of Africa—the Afro-American people—who are asking you for this help, and to not let it be said that Algeria has turned its back on the struggle of the Afro-American people.

All Power to the People.

Eldridge Cleaver

On Housing



ROSLYN

Roslyn, member of the East Coast Black Panthers.

Also, our main emphasis is the alleviation of housing conditions. We strive for a human society for every brother and sister, receiving shelter fit for human habitation. We realize the necessity of dealing with the here and now realities of the situation that all the black brothers and sisters find themselves confined to. I'd like to read to you point 4 of the Black Panther Party program and platform which deals with this specific thing. On the last page of each addition of the Black Panther Party's paper "Right On" is the 10 point Black Panther Party program and platform.

Point 4 reads, we demand decent housing, fit for shelter of human beings.

We believe that if the white landlords will not give decent housing to our black community, then the housing and the land should be made into cooperatives so that our community, can build and make decent housing for its people.

This as well as the other 9 points have not changed since its inception in 1966.

Regarding the government, when were most of the programs dealing with housing and other manifestations initiated? Most of them were

initiated after the '67 riots. Where are they now? Most of them are gone. But did we in that short five years get the jobs, education housing we need so badly. Ahah, ain't nothing happening. The reason nothing happened is nothing was supposed to happen. It was only to stop frustration and rioting. Insurance against damage to their property. Not against damage to the people. And poverty does damage the people.

Now for the governments rationale for Hi-Rise tenements. They did a study on rats. they found if you put too many rats in cages they started going crazy. I'd like to read to you in their own words, their rationale for such a move. This is a document prepared by a subcommittee of urban affairs for the Congress of the United States. On the bottom it says, National Priority the Hidden Dimension.

Here is what they say on the projects. A study by a typologist discovered that rats could tolerate high caged density. In animal population the solution is simple enough and frightfully like that in our urban renewal programs. To increase density in a rat population and to maintain healthy specimens, put them in boxes so they can't see each other. Clean their cages and give them enough to eat. Then you can pile the boxes up as many stories as you wish. Note, caged animals become STUPID from states of flus of boredom. Check it out.

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Black Panther Party Platform and Program



1. WE DEMAND FREEDOM. WE DEMAND THE POWER TO DETERMINE THE DESTINY OF OUR BLACK COMMUNITY.

We believe that black people will not be free until we are able to determine our destiny.

2. WE DEMAND FULL EMPLOYMENT FOR OUR PEOPLE.

We believe that the federal government is responsible and obligated to give every man employment or a guaranteed income. We believe that if the white American businessman will not give full employment, then the means of production should be taken from the businessmen and placed in the community so that the people of the community can organize and employ all of its people and give a high standard of living.

3. WE DEMAND AN END TO THE ROBBERY BY THE CAPITALIST OF OUR BLACK COMMUNITY.

We believe that this racist government has robbed us and now we are demanding the overdue debt of forty acres and a mule. Forty acres and a mule was promised 100 years ago as restitution for slave labor and mass murder of black people. We will accept the payment in currency which will be distributed to our many communities. The Germans are now aiding the Jews in Israel for the genocide of the Jewish people. The Germans murdered six million Jews. The American racist has taken part in the slaughter of over fifty million black people, therefore we feel that this is a modest demand that we make.

4. WE DEMAND DECENT HOUSING, FIT FOR SHELTER OF HUMAN BEINGS.

We believe that if the white landlords will not give decent housing to our black community, then the housing and the land should be made into cooperatives so that our community can build and make decent housing for its people.

5. WE DEMAND EDUCATION FOR OUR PEOPLE THAT EXPOSES THE TRUE NATURE OF THIS DECADENT AMERICAN SOCIETY. WE DEMAND EDUCATION THAT TEACHES US OUR TRUE HISTORY AND OUR ROLE IN THE PRESENT DAY SOCIETY.

We believe in an educational system that will give to our people a knowledge of self. If a man does not have knowledge of himself and his position in society and the world, then he has little chance to relate to anything else.

6. WE DEMAND THAT ALL BLACK MEN BE EXEMPT FROM MILITARY SERVICE.

We believe that Black people should not be forced to fight in the military service to defend a racist government that does not protect us. We will not fight and kill other people of color in the world who, like black people, are being victimized by the white racist government of America. We will protect ourselves from the force and violence of the racist police and the military, by whatever means necessary.

7. WE DEMAND AND IMMEDIATE END TO POLICE BRUTALITY AND MURDER OF BLACK PEOPLE.

We believe we can end police brutality in our black community by organizing black self-defense groups that are dedicated to defending our black community from racist police oppression and brutality. We therefore believe that all black people should arm themselves for self-defense.

8. WE DEMAND FREEDOM FOR ALL BLACK PEOPLE HELD IN FEDERAL, STATE, COUNTY AND CITY PRISONS AND JAILS.

We believe that all black people should be released from the many jails and prisons because they have not received a fair and impartial trial.

9. WE DEMAND THAT ALL BLACK PEOPLE BE TRIED BY JURIES OF THEIR PEER GROUP IN A PEOPLE'S COURT.

We believe that the courts should be made up of peers. A peer is a person from a similar economic, social, religious, geographical, environmental, historical, and racial background. We have been, and are being tried by juries that have no understanding of the "average reasoning man" of the black community.

10. WE DEMAND LAND, BREAD, HOUSING, EDUCATION, CLOTHING, JUSTICE, AND PEACE.

When in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume, among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the laws of nature entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impels them to the separation.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal; that they are endowed with certain unalienable rights, that among these rights are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. That to secure these rights governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed; that whenever any form of government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or to abolish it, and to institute a new government, laying its foundation on such principles, and organizing its powers in such form as to them shall seem most likely to effect their safety and happiness.

But, when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same object, evinces a design to reduce them under absolute despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such government, and to provide new guards for their future security.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!





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